



RESOLUTION No. 04-25-22-1

**A RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION
OF THE RETIREMENT OF
POLICE CHIEF JENNIFER PAULUS**

WHEREAS, *Jennifer Paulus has faithfully served the Village of Hawthorn Woods for twenty-three years, serving as Police Chief for a period of sixteen years; and*

WHEREAS, *in 1998 when first appointed, Jennifer Paulus served as a Police Officer for the Village of Hawthorn Woods for a period of seven years; and*

WHEREAS, *Chief Jennifer Paulus momentarily served as the first female Police Chief in Lake County, Illinois, and the longest serving Police Chief for the Village of Hawthorn Woods; and*

WHEREAS, *in 2018, Chief Paulus was honored by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) for her designation as a Certified Police Chief through the Association's Police Chief Certification Program. Only those who have successfully completed all phases of the assessment process are granted this certification. Chief Paulus is among only a select few who have met the stringent requirements of the program since its inception in 1998; and*

WHEREAS, *in 2019, Chief Paulus was acknowledged by the StormReady Advisory Board for Hawthorn Woods as to the Village's recertification as a StormReady Community; and*

WHEREAS, *in 2020, Chief Paulus received the IPELA (Illinois Public Employer Labor Relations Association) "James Baird Leadership Award" for her commitment as a Labor Relations professional; and*

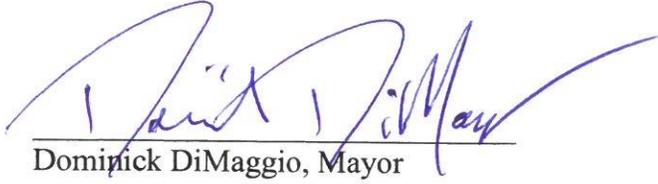
WHEREAS, *Chief Paulus was instrumental in creating a progressive, professional, and dedicated Police Department for the Village of Hawthorn Woods that assures its residents, businesses, and motorists a safe and secure community; and*

WHEREAS, *Chief Paulus's dedication and service to the community led the Village of Hawthorn Woods to receive numerous recognitions, including the Village being named the Safest City in Illinois by SafeWise and a national ranking as one of the safest small towns in the United States; and*

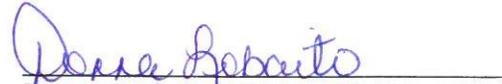
WHEREAS, *Chief Paulus found it most rewarding to train police officers, provide some measure of comfort to victims, survivors, and family members affected by tragedy, and engage countless members of the Hawthorn Woods community; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT *the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, on the behalf of the residents of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, does hereby express its gratitude and appreciation to Police Chief Jennifer Paulus for her outstanding service and accomplishments over the past twenty-three years.*

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, Illinois, adopted the foregoing Resolution unanimously on April 25, 2022.



Dominick DiMaggio, Mayor



Donna Lobaito, Village Clerk