



**RESOLUTION NO. 16-04**

**A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE 700 BLOCK OF WILLIAM STREET AND PROVIDING AN HONORARY  
DESIGNATION OF THE 700 BLOCK OF WILLIAM STREET**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of River Forest (“Village”) is an Illinois municipal corporation organized under the Illinois Constitution and the laws of the State of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, the 700 block of William Street in River Forest was built between 1915-1916 and its residents are recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the 700 block of William Street is the only known tract housing development of Prairie Style homes in the United States from that period of time; and

**WHEREAS**, the builder of the homes was Henry Hogans;

**WHEREAS**, the architect is unknown; although different theories point to a few potential designers;

**WHEREAS**, according to Henry Hogans, who was quoted in the Oak Leaves on March 18, 1916, “The homes are the best built I have ever seen. Not a feature that can contribute solid comfort has been overlooked”;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of River Forest, Cook County, Illinois, that the Board, for its members and the citizens of the Village of River Forest, recognize this significant milestone for the 700 Block of William Street.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that:

**SECTION 1.** The 700 block of a William Street shall have a secondary designation as “Historic William Street”

**SECTION 2.** The Board of Trustees requests that the Village place an honorary street name sign at the intersection of 700 William Street and Oak Avenue, which shall reflect the "Historic William Street" designation.

**SECTION 3.** By this Resolution, the Board of Trustees does not intend to affect any existing or future signage that reflects the secondary designation of the 700 block of William Street, with the exception of the honorary sign described in Section 2 of this Resolution.

**SECTION 4:** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

**PASSED** on a roll call vote of the Corporate Authorities on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016.

**AYES:** Trustees Colwell-Steinke, Conti, Corsini, Dwyer, and Gibbs

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Cargie

**APPROVED** by me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016

  
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Village President

**APPROVED and FILED** in my office this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016 and published in pamphlet form in the Village of River Forest, Cook County, Illinois.

**ATTEST:**



  
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Village Clerk