

PROCLAMATION

In Honor of the 100th Birthday of Monica Affleck

WHEREAS, on February 12, 1918, Woodrow Wilson was President of the United States, and Monica O'Mara was born; and

WHEREAS, in 1942, Monica married Donald Affleck and was married for 68 years until his death in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Monica and Donald had five children, William, Mary Ellen, Margaret, Jane, and Kevin; and

WHEREAS, before retiring, Monica Affleck was a field biologist, and a Chicago Public School teacher whose students affectionately called her "Mrs. A"; and

WHEREAS, Monica Affleck nurtured a love for animals and nature in her children, at one time hosting a "praying mantises in a cage [and] crawfish in the bath tub."; as well as being a great supporter of the Trailside Museum in River Forest; and

WHEREAS, Monica Affleck has been resident of the Village of River Forest since 1971 and is a parishioner of St. Luke's Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Affleck made homemade wine, quilted, knitted, sewed and is an artist, and writer who rode horses, was a competitive roller skater, volleyball player and lifeguard; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Affleck has such an affection for McDonalds ice cream cones, that she was presented with a gift certificate from McDonalds for 99 ice cream cones this past July, and is such a valued customer at the McDonalds in River Forest that they are hosting a birthday party in her honor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CATHERINE ADDUCI, President of the Village of River Forest, do hereby proclaim February 12, 2018 as Monica Affleck Day in the Village of River Forest, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Monica Affleck as we honor her on her 100th birthday.

IN WITNESS, THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the seal of the Village of River Forest, this 12th day of February 2018.

Catherine Adduci, Village President

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