

Proclamation

WHEREAS, founded in 1934 to fight antisemitism and other forms of discrimination and intolerance, the Decalogue Society has a proud record of achievement. It is the oldest Jewish bar association in the United States, representing the values and concerns of the Jewish community while working to protect the rights and privileges of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Decalogue Society strives to promote justice in society and to advance and improve the law, the administration of justice, and the legal profession; and

WHEREAS, the Decalogue Society provides free continuing education to assist members and non-members alike in becoming better informed lawyers. It also has a mentorship program for law students and young lawyers to help them network, hone their interviewing skills, and find jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Decalogue Foundation was created in the 1960's to provide scholarships for deserving law students and has established nine endowment funds at six Chicago-area law schools and the Hebrew University Law School in Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, the Decalogue Society maintains vigilance against public and private practices which are anti-social, discriminatory, antisemitic or oppressive and joins with other groups and minorities to protect legal rights and privileges; and

WHEREAS, with a strong commitment to public welfare and human rights, the Decalogue Society, in conjunction with other minority bar associations, has raised awareness about special situations in the courts and in the workplace that present challenges for people of various faiths; and

WHEREAS, working in coalition, Decalogue and its partners have been in the forefront of raising awareness about hate crimes and the need for marginalized communities to stand together when any of them are threatened.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jesal Patel, President of the Village of Lincolnwood along with the Village Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim Thursday, June 26, 2025 as

Decalogue Society Day

in the Village of Lincolnwood in honor of their 91st anniversary. That the Village of Lincolnwood expresses appreciation for the significant contributions made by Decalogue Society to the diverse community that comprises the Village of Lincolnwood, the State of Illinois, and the United State of America.

DATED this 17th day of June, 2025

ATTEST:

Sokol Delisi Village Clerk Jesal Patel

Village President