



## PROCLAMATION

### Preeclampsia Awareness Day - June 3, 2018

**WHEREAS**, preeclampsia is a dangerous condition of pregnancy that can, in its severest form, lead to maternal and/or infant mortality or premature birth with significant health risks for the mother and baby; and

**WHEREAS**, in America alone, more than 350,000 cases of preeclampsia are diagnosed every year with 25% classified as severe, causing a pregnant woman and her baby to face life threatening consequences every 6 minutes of every day; and

**WHEREAS**, globally, preeclampsia and other hypertensive disorders of pregnancy are a leading cause of maternal and infant illness and death, with conservative estimates claiming these disorders are responsible for 76,000 maternal and 500,000 infant deaths each year; and

**WHEREAS**, public awareness of the symptoms of preeclampsia, which include spikes in maternal blood pressure, sudden swelling of face, feet, and hands, severe upper abdominal pain and blurred vision, can help women recognize the condition and seek appropriate medical care; and

**WHEREAS**, many Illinois residents have joined with the Preeclampsia Foundation to raise public awareness, and will be raising funds for preeclampsia research through the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Promise Walk & 5K for Preeclampsia on June 3, 2018 at Busse Woods Cook County Forest Preserve; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of West Dundee is supportive of the Preeclampsia Foundation's mission to reduce maternal and infant illness and death due to preeclampsia and other hypertensive disorders of pregnancy.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I, Christopher Nelson, Village President, on behalf of the Village of West Dundee, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2018 to be "**Preeclampsia Awareness Day**" in the Village of West Dundee.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the Village of West Dundee to be affixed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2018.



  
Christopher Nelson, Village President