

PROCLAMATION ON RACIAL EQUITY

In light of recent developments throughout our country, our state and our community, the Village of Brown Deer would like to express its position and concern as it relates to “racial equity”.

As we have seen with the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic, people of color have been disproportionately affected by the disease. Over the last few years, and in recent weeks, we have witnessed a number of situations that have demonstrated the racial profiling and killing of people of color throughout our country culminating with the most recent death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

We have also seen protesting events happening all across the country, historically and in the past week, including those in Brown Deer over the weekend. The Brown Deer community is not immune from these types of issues happening here. So, we hold in our thoughts and lift up in our prayers, all those hurting in our country as a result of these great losses.

Although we have not had the experience that some other communities have had, we want our community to know that we are a community that supports all of our residents. We work with all of our citizens to make sure they have equal access to all of our services and are treated with respect and integrity by the village staff and board.

Dr. Martin Luther King stated, “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly”.

We proclaim that we will be one Brown Deer. We are a community that embraces all, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, mental/physical ability or socio-economic status.

We further proclaim that we will continue to work diligently to bring all of Brown Deer together and support a community in which we can all be proud.

Submitted by the Village President and Village Board of the Village of Brown Deer this 1st day of June, 2020.