
**NILES TOWNSHIP
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**RESOLUTION
NUMBER 2023-01**

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TOWNSHIP AND CALLING FOR ACTION TO PROTECT RIGHTS**

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WHEREAS, Niles Township, Cook County, Illinois is a duly organized and existing township and unit of local government organized under the laws of the State of Illinois and is operating under the provisions of the Illinois Township Code, 60 ILCS 1/1-1 *et. Seq.*, and all laws amendatory thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Township Supervisor and the Board of Trustees (collectively the “Township Board”) are committed to protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the Township’s residents and visitors and ensuring that all Township residents are treated fairly and equally; and

WHEREAS, fostering a welcoming environment for all people, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or place of origin enhances the Township’s cultural fabric, economic growth, and overall well-being and prosperity for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, community efforts that promote understanding and collaboration between all community members are crucial in encouraging and preserving the Township’s welcoming environment; and

WHEREAS, the Township has long been recognized as a hospitable and welcoming community where diverse people, families, and institutions thrive and contributions of all are valued; and

WHEREAS, the Township is dedicated to protecting the rights of its residents, which include the right to keep medical decisions between a patient and doctor and to live without constant fear of harm from violent extremists brandishing military-style firearms; and

WHEREAS, the Township sees recent tragedies and actions throughout the country and has determined that it must do everything in its power to secure the health, safety, and privacy of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Supervisor and the Board of Trustees of Niles Township, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Township Board declares that Niles Township is a “Welcoming Township” that embraces and treats all Township residents with the same respect, fairness, and dignity, and will continue to provide services on an equal basis to all people, regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, national origin, or federal immigration status.

Section 3. The Township Board hereby calls upon the Illinois General Assembly to any measure that would enhance the peace and security of Niles Township and the entire State of Illinois, including a ban on the sale of assault-style weapons.

Section 4. The Township Board further calls upon the Illinois General Assembly to submit to the voters, in the manner required by law, a measure to amend the Illinois Constitution that enshrines the constitutional right of individual privacy and autonomy, including the right to make and effectuate decisions about all matters relating to pregnancy, prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, sterilization, abortion care, miscarriage management, and infertility care.

Section 5. Upon adoption, a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to all members of the Illinois General Assembly representing Niles Township.

Section 6. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

Section 7. All resolutions, motions, or orders in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

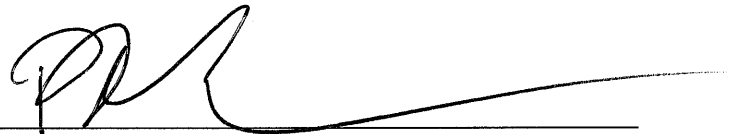
Section 8. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

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ADOPTED by the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Niles Township, Cook County, Illinois this 9th day of January 2023, pursuant to roll call vote as follows:


	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Trustee Gelfund	X			
Trustee Collins	X			
Trustee Tolleson	X			
Trustee Kendrick	X			
Supervisor Kahn Ognisanti	X			
TOTAL	5	-0-	-0-	-0-

APPROVED at a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Niles Township, on January 9th, 2023.



 BONNIE KAHN OGNISANTI,
 Township Supervisor

ATTEST:



 CHARLES LEVY, Township Clerk


CERTIFICATION

State of Illinois)
) ss.
County of Cook)
)

I, Charles Levy, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Township Clerk of Niles Township, Cook County, Illinois, and as such official, I am the keeper of the records and files of Niles Township.

I further certify that the foregoing or attached is a complete, true, and correct copy of Resolution No 2023-01, entitled “**A RESOLUTION DECLARING NILES TOWNSHIP A WELCOMING TOWNSHIP AND CALLING FOR ACTION TO PROTECT RIGHTS,**” which was adopted by the Supervisor and the Board of Trustees on January 9th, 2023.

IN THE WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand in the County of Cook, and State of Illinois, on January 9th, 2023.



Charles Levy, Township Clerk

(Corporate Seal)