

# ***PROCLAMATION***

## ***In Support of Radon Action Month January 2011***

***WHEREAS***, radon is a colorless, odorless, naturally occurring radioactive gas that threatens the health of our citizens; and

***WHEREAS***, the Surgeon General has warned that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States. It is the number one cause among non-smokers; and

***WHEREAS***, one in 15 homes across the U.S. has an elevated radon level; and

***WHEREAS***, any home in the Village of Barrington may have an elevated level of radon, even if other homes in the same neighborhood do not; and

***WHEREAS***, testing for radon is simple and inexpensive; and

***WHEREAS***, identified radon problems can be fixed; and

***WHEREAS***, The Illinois Emergency Management Agency – Division of Nuclear Safety Radon Program and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are supporting efforts to encourage Illinoisans to test their homes for radon, mitigate elevated levels of radon, and build new homes with radon-resistant materials and features.

***NOW, THEREFORE***, I, Karen Darch, President of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, do hereby proclaim January 2011 Official Radon Action Month.

*Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2011*

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*Karen Darch  
Village President  
Village of Barrington*