

PROCLAMATION

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY JUNE 6, 2019

WHEREAS, on June 6, 1944, scores of allied service members prepared to fight a battle that would decide the fate of freedom in the 20th century; and

WHEREAS, on D-Day, American, British, and Canadian forces advanced through thickets of barbed wire and scaled heavily protected cliffs. They braved gales of bullets and artillery fire, taking heavy losses as they cut through Nazi defenses. Thousands gave their last full measure of devotion; and.

WHEREAS, victory on D-Day dealt a significant blow to an ideology fueled by hatred and allowed America and its allies to secure a foothold in France, open a path to Berlin, and liberate a continent from the grip of tyranny; and

WHEREAS, victory on D-Day made possible the achievements that followed the end of World War II – the Marshall Plan, the NATO alliance, and the shared prosperity and security that flowed from each; and

WHEREAS, seventy-five years later, we pay tribute to the service members who secured a beachhead on an unforgiving shore – the patriots who, through their courage and sacrifice, changed the course of an entire century; and

WHEREAS, today, as we carry on the struggle for liberty and universal human rights, let us draw strength from a moment when free nations beat back the forces of oppression and gave new hope to the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Darch, President of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, do hereby proclaim that on the 75th Anniversary of D-Day, Thursday, June 6, 2019, the residents of the Village of Barrington observe this day with programs, ceremonies, and activities that honor those who fought and died so men and women they had never met might know what it is to be free.

Dated this 20th day of May, 2019

*Karen Darch
Village President*