WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted the 3rd day of April 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Godfrey Village Hall, 6810 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL 62035 to consider the Discontinuance of the Township of Godfrey within the Coterminal Municipality of Godfrey; and,

WHEREAS, publication of said public hearing was made in the Alton Telegraph on the 22nd day of February, 2018 and also, posted on the main page of the Village of Godfrey’s website; and,

WHEREAS, effective on January 1, 2018 townships within coterminal municipalities may be abolished and discontinued pursuant to the authority of 60 ILCS 1/29-5, et. seq.; and,

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the Village of Godfrey have considered the advisability of discontinuing the Township of Godfrey which is coterminal with the Village of Godfrey; and, having conducted a hearing on the advisability of dissolving and abolishing the Township of Godfrey. The Village of Godfrey corporate authorities desire to certify the question to the election authorities of Madison County, Illinois to cause the election authority to submit to the voters of The Village of Godfrey and Godfrey Township a referendum to discontinue the township; and,

WHEREAS, dissolution of the Township of Godfrey, if approved by a referendum of the voters of Godfrey Township and the Village of Godfrey, will cause the Township of Godfrey to (1) discontinue and abolish the township; (2) transfer all the rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and responsibilities of the township to the municipality; (3) cease and dissolve all township road districts with the district’s jurisdiction and authority transferred to the municipality upon the dissolution of the township.

NOW, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

Resolved, that the Village of Godfrey corporate authorities certify to the Madison County election officials, that the following referendum question be put before the voters of the Township of Godfrey at the next election to be held on November 6, 2018:

“Shall the Township of Godfrey cease”?

The votes shall be recorded as “Yes” or “No.”
Further Resolved, that, upon approval of the voters of the Township of Godfrey, the township shall be dissolved into the Village of Godfrey on the third Monday in May 2019, and (1) township shall be discontinued and abolished and all rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations and responsibilities of the township shall vest in and be assumed by the Village of Godfrey, including the authority to levy property taxes for township purposes in the same manner as the dissolved township without additional, ordinance, resolution or referendum; (2) all township officers shall cease to hold office; (3) the Village of Godfrey shall exercise all duties and responsibilities of the township officers as provided in the Township Code, the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Property Tax Code, and the Illinois Highway Code, as applicable. The Village of Godfrey may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the county or the State to administer the duties and responsibilities of the township officers for services under its jurisdiction.

This Resolution was passed by a majority vote of the Village of Godfrey corporate authorities on the 3rd day of April, 2018.

Ayes: McAtee, Schrumpf, Springman, Stewart, Weber, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: None

Michael J. McCormick, Mayor

Attest:

Pamela E. Whisler, Village Clerk