## **PROCLAMATION**

## CONGRATULATING THE ALGONQUIN ARGONAUTS YOUTH FOOTBALL 8U TEAM ON THEIR REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, The Algonquin Argonauts Youth Football & Cheer is the largest organization serving McHenry/Kane County that is affiliated with Pop Warner, the nation's largest youth football and cheer organization; and

WHEREAS, The Algonquin Argonauts are a member of the Chicagoland Pop Warner Conference within the Mid-America Pop Warner Region; and

WHEREAS, After winning the Chicagoland Pop Warner State Championship in dominate fashion, the Argonauts 8U team made the cross-state trek to Chesterton, Indiana, to face the vaunted Hobart Brickies in the regional championship; and

WHEREAS, Champions are rare. Everybody has some chance, some opportunity to change and improve, but not everybody takes advantage; and

WHEREAS, The thing about Argonauts football - the important thing about Argonauts football - is that it is not just about football. There are certain traits that are present in every winning team: passion, commitment, confidence, pride in performance, high standards of excellence, relentlessness, perseverance, and the ability to perform in adverse circumstances; and

WHEREAS, The Argonauts 8U team is proof that good things come to those who work. Because the players worked together, they won together. The strength of the Argonauts team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the Argonauts team; and

WHEREAS, During the championship game the players showed that it's not the size of the dog in the fight, but the size in the fight of the dog. Whenever they got knocked down, they got back up. The players understand that when you don't give up, you cannot fail; and

WHEREAS, the Algonquin Argonauts 8U team defeated the Hobart Brickies 21-0, fulfilling their season goal of winning the regional championship and bringing the hardware home;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Debby Sosine, Village President of the Village of Algonquin, on behalf of the Village Trustees and the Village Clerk, do hereby congratulate the Algonquin Argonauts Youth Football 8U team on their regional championship. I further call upon all young athletes to stay hungry, remain humble, and get better today. Because as the 8U Argonauts team demonstrated, when you do that, the ring takes care of itself.

DATED this 14th day of January, 2025

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Debby Sosine, Village President

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Fred Martin, Village Clerk