## Resolution 001.2023R RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SPRING 2023 REFERENDUM LANGUAGE FOR LEVY INCREASE

The Village Board of the Village of Park Ridge Resolves as Follows:

WHEREAS, in its Strategic Plan adopted by the Village Board on November 14, 2022, the Village has identified among its primary goals its intent to "enhance capacity to fund village government functions, including capital improvements and routine maintenance" and "provide services that make Park Ridge safer;" and

WHEREAS, the costs for the Village Hall operations – including Village Hall maintenance, utilities, equipment and supplies, staffing, and elections – have increased substantially in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the costs for the Village's contracted services – including fire protection and emergency medical services, snowplowing, garbage collection, recycling, and street maintenance – have also increased substantially in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the Village throughout its history has had limited opportunities for new construction and growth that provide corresponding increases in property tax revenue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Park Ridge, Portage County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote, hold a Referendum vote at the April 4, 2023, Spring Election on the following question:

"Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Park Ridge for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2024, is limited to 1.387%, which results in a levy of \$233,098. Shall the Village of Park Ridge be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2024, for the purpose of supporting the increasing costs of contracted services, Village operations, enhanced fire protection, and capital improvement debt service by a total of 55.77%, which results in a levy of \$363,098, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$130,000 for each fiscal year going forward?"

Adopted this 16th day of January 2023.

s/

Village Presider

Shanna Behrend

Village Clerk

Attest: s/

Shanna Behrend Village Clerk