ORDINANCE UPDATING VILLAGE REGULATIONS CONCERNING TRESPASS TO LAND IN SECTION 8-2-23 OF THE VILLAGE CODE

WHEREAS, the Village of Barrington Hills (hereinafter the "Village") is an Illinois home rule municipality pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution and is empowered by the Illinois Constitution to enact all constitutional ordinances and to exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to the Village's local government and affairs, subject to any express limitation provided by the Illinois General Assembly in the manner provided in Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the Village is authorized and empowered to establish police regulations to ensure the health and safety of the citizens of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village has previously established police regulations prohibiting trespass to land, which regulations were last updated in 1988; and

WHEREAS, the Village Chief of Police and the Village Attorney have reviewed said regulations and have determined that said regulations should be updated to best protect Village property owners from unauthorized off-road motor vehicle trespass, including the unauthorized off-road use of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), off-highway motorcycles (dirt bikes) and snowmobiles, without the express permission of a Village property owner or occupant; and

WHEREAS, the President and Village Board of Trustees have considered the matter and have determined that certain amendments to the Village's trespass regulations provided in section 8-2-23 of the Village Code, as recommended by the Village Chief of Police and the Village Attorney and as provided herein, are in the best interests of the Village and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington Hills, a home rule community located in Cook, Lake, Kane and McHenry Counties, Illinois, duly assembled at a regular meeting, as follows:

SECTION ONE: That the forgoing recitals are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION TWO: That Title 8 Police Regulations, Chapter 2 General Offenses, Section 8-2-23 be amended by adding subsection (D) as follows:

(D) No person shall enter upon the off-road or off-drive portion of the land of another, with any motorized vehicle, including but not limited to all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), off-highway motorcycles (dirt bikes) and snowmobiles, without the express written or verbal consent from the owner or occupant. Such trespass is strictly prohibited with or without prior notice from the owner or occupant that such entry is forbidden.

SECTION THREE: That all other ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are, to the extent of such conflict, expressly repealed.

SECTION FOUR: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington Hills, Illinois, this 28th day of April, 2025.

Ayes: 4 (Hoffmann, Strauss, Ekstrom, Riff)

Navs:

Absent: 2 (Clarke, Hills)

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Village President

Village Clerk