
THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 09-01

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WHEREAS, the Village of Harwood Heights is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Harwood Heights desires to recognize the contributions of Edward Connelly Sr. by giving the honorary name of Edward Connelly Senior Avenue to the 5000 block of Oconto Avenue.

Whereas, Edward Connelly Sr., was born in 1918, attended St. Viators Grammar School and Schurz High school, and in 1944 married the love of his life Lucille LeBrun;

Whereas, on June 1, 1949 Ed Connelly Sr., purchased a lot at 5046 N. Oconto, an area that was the original section of the Village of Harwood Heights, and built a home where he raised his family and that he is still living today;

Whereas, Edward Connelly Sr. was a member of the Harwood Heights Improvement Club, the organization that began the process, and founded the Village of Harwood Heights Improvement Club, the organization that began the process, and founded the Village of Harwood Heights in 1947. He was elected the Secretary – Treasurer from 1951 through 1955.

Whereas, Edward Connelly Sr., became very active in the community, in government and social affairs, serving as the President of the Norwood Park Regular Republican Organization;

Whereas, in 1955, when the Village of Harwood Heights consisted of the area from Harlem Avenue on the east, Oketo Avenue on the west, Foster Avenue on the north and Lawrence Avenue on the south, Ed Connelly Sr. ran for Village Trustee with Joseph Zizzo and Andy Straub and won the election;

Whereas, it was during Ed Connelly Sr.'s term as Trustee that the greatest growth of Harwood Heights took place; in 1957, the Leland Avenue Area and the property west of Oketo Avenue was annexed; in 1958 the village annexed the east end to Narragansett on the east and Forest Preserve Drive on the south;

Whereas, Ed Connelly Sr., contacted U. S. Legislators for a Post Office to serve the community which was then built at Gunnison and Ronald Streets;

Whereas, in 1956, Ed Connelly Sr. and the Village Board hired Bill Blaesing as the Village's First Police Chief; Ed and a group of trustees went to Police School in Argo, Illinois once a week to learn about the police administration;

Whereas, Ed Connelly Sr., chose not to run for reelection in 1960 due to the serious and fatal illness of his son;

Whereas, because of Ed Connelly's experience and knowledge of the community, in 1964, Mayor Pat Arbor asked Ed Connelly, Sr. to form and chair the first Zoning Board of Appeals; Ed remained Chairman of the Zoning Board for eleven years and directed the codification of village codes;

Whereas, in 1975, Ed Connelly Sr., was appointed the Building Commissioner remained in that capacity for twenty one years;

Whereas, in 1995, Ed Connelly Sr., was nominated as outstanding senior citizen, and he was awarded the Cook County Sheriff's Senior Medal of Honor for his lifelong work for the Village of Harwood Heights;

Whereas, in June of 1996 Ed Connelly Sr., resigned his position with the village to take care of his oldest son with special needs, whom he still cares for;

Whereas, in 2000, Ed Connelly Sr., became an original member of the Harwood heights Historical Committee, donating copies of some of the earliest documents to the collection, and served as the Committee's official Historian and serving as it's official historian;

Whereas, in 2002, The Village presented Ed Connelly Sr., with the Heart of Hearts award for his dedication, volunteerism and love for the community;

Whereas, on November 21, 2006 Mayor Margaret Fuller presented Ed with the Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award for his life long service to his community and preserving its history.

Whereas, on March 22, 2008 Ed Connelly Sr. lost a battle with illness;

THEREFORE, the Village of Harwood Heights and the Harwood Heights Historical Committee honors the service and lifelong dedication of Edward Connelly Sr., by naming the 5000 Block of Oconto Ed Connelly Sr. Avenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS, IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS HOME RULE POWERS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The above recitals are incorporated into this Section 1 as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Honorary Name. Oconto Avenue, generally located from Argyle to Carmen Avenues in the Village of Harwood Heights, shall hereafter have the honorary name of Ed Connelly Sr. Avenue.

SECTION 3. Honorary Name Sign. The Village of Harwood Heights is hereby authorized to erect and maintain signs indicating the honorary name of Ed Connelly Sr. Avenue.

SECTION 4. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All existing ordinances of the Village of Harwood Heights are hereby repealed insofar as they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED on January 8, 2009 pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Dobrzycki	X			X
Gadzinski	X			X
Jezierny	X			X
Mougolias	X			X
Schuepfer	X			X
Szlendak	X			X
Mayor Fuller				X
TOTAL	6			7

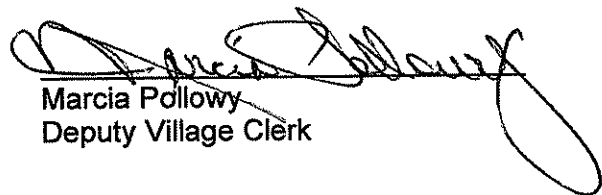
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APPROVED by the Mayor on 1-8, 2009



Margaret Fuller
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Marcia Pollowy
Deputy Village Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

CERTIFICATION

I, Marcia L. Pollowy, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected and acting Clerk of the Village of Harwood Heights, County of Cook, State of Illinois.

I do further certify that the foregoing Ordinance 09-01 entitled:

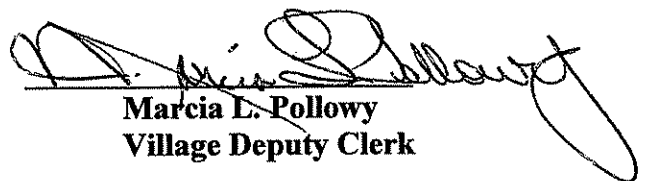
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Is true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Harwood Heights at a meeting held on the 8th day of January, 2009.

I do further certify that the original of which the foregoing is a true copy is entrusted to my care and safekeeping, and that I am keeper of the same.

I do further certify that I am the keeper of the records, ordinances, and resolutions of said Village of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my official hand and seal this 8th day of January, 2009.


Marcia L. Pollowy
Village Deputy Clerk

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