RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

WHEREAS, the Village of Hoffman Estates desires to ensure that all users, of all ages and abilities, of our transportation system are able to travel safely and conveniently on all streets and roadways in the Village; and

WHEREAS, a complete street is one which provides a safe, convenient and context-sensitive facility for all modes of travel including pedestrians including those with disabilities, bicycles, public transit, vehicles, freight vehicles, and emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, complete streets improves the livability of a community through improving the human, environmental, and economic health of Hoffman Estates; and

WHEREAS, complete streets provide public health benefits, including increasing physical activity and improving air quality, by providing the opportunity for more people to bike and walk safely; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of complete streets will lead to greater street connectivity and provide increased flexibility for recreation and travel; and

WHEREAS, complete streets goals can be achieved on a project-level basis or through more comprehensive policy changes; and

WHEREAS, the principles of complete streets are compatible with the Village’s Capital Improvement Plan, Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Bicycle Plan;

Therefore be it RESOLVED, BY THE HOFFMAN ESTATES VILLAGE BOARD; that the Village commits to a Complete Streets Policy through which all streets in the Village shall be designed, operated and maintained in accordance with complete streets principles; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village commits to incorporating complete streets principles into relevant Village plans, manuals, policies, processes and programs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village will incorporate complete streets into improvement project such as but not limited to construction, implementation, resurfacing, reconstruction, and maintenance work; and be it further

RESOLVED, that application of complete streets principles will be flexible to permit design and operation of facilities within the context of the surrounding land uses; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village commits to partner with other government entities as necessary to implement this complete streets policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, any exemptions to this policy shall be limited to instances where the project involves a facility where access by non-motorized users is prohibited by law, there is a documented absence of use by all except motor vehicle users now and would be in the future if the roadway were a complete street, or the scope of the project is limited to maintenance activities intended to keep the roadway in a serviceable condition, and the exemption is documented in writing and the exemption is approved by the Village Manager.