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19

Date March 24, 2025

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MERGER OF THE HIGHLAND PARK
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND OAK PARK NEIGHBORS**

WHEREAS, on May 24, 1993, by Roll Call No. 93-2026, the City Council approved the Neighborhood Recognition Policy which establishes procedures and guidelines for formal recognition of neighborhoods by the City of Des Moines, and authorizes recognized neighborhoods to advise the City on issues of concern; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 1993, by Roll Call No. 93-444, the City Council approved the designation of the Highland Park Neighborhood Association as a Recognized Neighborhood for the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 1993, by Roll Call No. 93-444, the City Council approved the designation of the Oak Park Neighbors as a Recognized Neighborhood for the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 1997, by Roll Call No. 97-216, the City Council approved a boundary expansion of the Highland Park Neighborhood Association to extend the northern boundary to include the area annexed by the City north of Broadway Avenue, west of East 14th Street and south of Interstate 80; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 1997, by Roll Call No. 97-381 the City Council approved amending Roll Call No. 97-216 to describe the boundary expansion of Highland Park Neighborhood Association to extend the northern boundary to include the area annexed by the City which lies north of Aurora Avenue, west of East 14th Street and south of Interstate 80; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park Neighborhood Association and Oak Park Neighbors have requested a merger to include the Northern City Limit between the Des Moines River and Union Pacific Railroad track as the northern boundary; the Des Moines River to 2nd Avenue and Hull Avenue between 2nd Avenue and the Union Pacific Railroad track as the southern boundary; Union Pacific Railroad track between the Northern City Limit and Hull Avenue and 2nd Avenue between Hull Avenue and the Des Moines River as the eastern boundary; and the Des Moines River between the Northern City Limit and 2nd Avenue as the western boundary; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park Neighborhood Association and Oak Park Neighbors have requested the merged association retain the name of the Highland Park/Oak Park Neighborhood Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the merger of the Highland Park Neighborhood Association and Oak Park Neighborhood Association according to the attached map with boundaries including Northern

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City Limit between the Des Moines River and Union Pacific Railroad track as the northern boundary; the Des Moines River to 2nd Avenue and Hull Avenue between 2nd Avenue and the Union Pacific Railroad track as the southern boundary; Union Pacific Railroad track between the Northern City Limit and Hull Avenue and 2nd Avenue between Hull Avenue and the Des Moines River as the eastern boundary; and the Des Moines River between the Northern City Limit and 2nd Avenue as the western boundary is hereby approved, the aforementioned neighborhood associations are hereby merged, and the merged entity is now named the Highland Park/Oak Park Neighborhood Association.

(Council Communication No. 25-118)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.
Second by Coleman.

Approved as to form:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

Gary D. Goudelock Jr.
Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Connie Boesen

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk