



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE PROCLAMATION

### A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 3-9, 2026 AS INTERNATIONAL COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK IN THE VILLAGE OF GLENCOE

**WHEREAS**, the Compost Research & Education Foundation, has named the first full week of May to be the annual Compost Awareness Week; and

**WHEREAS**, composting is a way of returning organic resources to the soil to restore the health of the soil and enable its essential function in the carbon cycle; and

**WHEREAS**, applying finished compost is a proven method of growing healthy food, conserving water during extreme drought, providing resiliency during flooding conditions, reducing water consumption and non-point pollution, decreasing the dependence on chemical fertilizers, decreasing erosion, and remediating fire damaged lands; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Glencoe Sustainability Task Force has established ambitious goals around both organics diversion and compost use through their ongoing community engagement initiatives, recognizing composting as an effective form of resource recovery, waste reduction, reuse and recycling, and pollution reduction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Glencoe provides residents with multiple opportunities to participate in composting and organics diversion, including a seasonal subscription-based yard waste and food scrap collection service, a sticker-based option for non-subscribers, a year-round downtown food scrap drop-off location, and optional curbside composting services through WasteNot Compost; and

**WHEREAS**, materials such as yard trimmings, vegetable cuttings, biosolids, food scraps, manures and hay shavings have all been composted and converted into a beneficial product known as compost; and

**WHEREAS**, International Compost Awareness Week is a publicity and education initiative to showcase compost production and demonstrate compost use; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme is Compost: Feed the Soil that Feeds Us. The 2026 theme was chosen with the goal of highlighting the benefits of composting in agriculture and food production, and its role in supporting healthy, nutritious food, and by extension, healthy people and communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glencoe, do hereby designate the week May 3-9, 2026, as International Compost Awareness Week and encourage all residents to recognize and participate in efforts to reduce organic waste and support sustainable composting practices.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D., 2026, at the Village of Glencoe, Cook County, Illinois.



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Howard J. Roin, Village President

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Philip A. Kiraly, Village Clerk