

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
RESOLUTION 2023-008**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2016-132 REGARDING
PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2007, Public Act 94-1058, amending the Open Meetings Act, took effect and amended the definition of a “meeting” to mean “Any gathering, whether in person or by video or audio conference, telephone call, electronic means (such as, without limitation, electronic mail, electronic chat and instant messaging), or other means of contemporaneous interactive communication, of a majority of a quorum of the members of a public body held for the purpose of discussing public business,” and it permits attendance of members of the public body at public meetings by a means other than physical presence; and

WHEREAS, to permit attendance by a means other than physical presence, the Village of Vernon Hills adopted rules that conform to the requirements and restrictions of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills previously adopted Resolution 2007-176 which allowed attendance by members of the public body by means other than physical presence in compliance with the Open Meetings Act once per calendar year and subsequently adopted Resolution 2016-132 which allowed attendance by members of the public body by means other than physical presence in compliance with the Open Meetings Act up to a maximum of four times per calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills believes that removing the limitation of four times per year and not having any limitation on electronic or telephonic attendance is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

A member of the corporate authorities, without further approval by the Village Board, may attend the meeting by other means in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/7 if the member is prevented from physically attending because of: (1) personal illness or disability; (2) employment purposes or the business of the public body; or (3) a family or other emergency.

Dated the 21st day of February, 2023

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 6 –Schenk, Forster, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Byrne, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka

PASSED: 02/21/2023

APPROVED: 02/21/2023

ATTEST: 02/21/2023



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk

