

Village of Arlington Heights Proclamation Redefining Ready Campaign March, 2016

WHEREAS, the globalization of our economy requires a skilled workforce that is ready to meet the demands of the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce estimates that by 2018, two-thirds of all jobs will require some type of post-secondary training; and

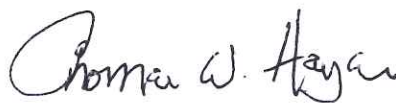
WHEREAS, America's schools have a profound responsibility to ensure that our nation's 14 million high school students are college ready, career ready and life ready; and

WHEREAS, standardized test scores, which have traditionally been used as the sole indicator of college and career readiness, fail to portray a comprehensive picture of student potential; and

WHEREAS, the existing one-score-fits-all approach is unfair to 21st century students; and

WHEREAS, AASA – the School Superintendents Association launched a national campaign called *Redefining Ready* which proposes new research-based metrics and indicators to more authentically and appropriately assess and demonstrate high school graduates' readiness to survive and thrive in their futures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor of Arlington Heights along with the Board of Trustees supports the framework of multiple readiness indicators proposed in the *Redefining Ready Campaign* to more accurately assess students' readiness to succeed in college, career and life.



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