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ITEM: Speak Your Peace Resolution Affirmation

SUBMITTED BY: Alyssa MacLeod – Communications Coordinator

REVIEWED BY: Dean Zuleger – City Administrator

## SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

As part of Lake Elmo's Speak Your Peace campaign, the Park Commission is respectfully requested to affirm the resolution adopted by City Council on April 16, 2013, to incorporate the nine tools of civility as the foundational principles of conducting the business of the commission.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Speak Your Peace is a campaign focused on improving civil discourse through raising awareness of nine tools of civility (basic principles of respect). The nine tools of civility are Pay attention; Listen; Be inclusive; Do not gossip; Show respect; Be agreeable; Apologize; Give constructive criticism; and Take responsibility. The purpose of the initiative is to cultivate a community that values civic engagement and is widely recognized for modeling civility, accomplished by providing training, information and tools and to be good role models for civility in our interaction with others.

## **RECCOMENDATION:**

The Park Commission is respectfully requested to affirm the nine tools of civility (Resolution No. 2013-28, adopted by City Council on April 16, 2013) as the foundational principles to conducting the business of the commission:

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Speak Your Peace Resolution