

It is with a heavy heart and great regret that I announce my resignation as trustee of the Wilmette Village Board. I have accepted an exciting new professional opportunity with a Detroit based company where I will be focussing on national facility expansion for a privately held education provider. The new position will require a relocation to the Detroit area and extensive national and international travel.

It has been one of the greatest privileges of my life to serve the community in this capacity over the past year. The time I have spent working with my fellow board members and Wilmette staff has been enriching and educational. Mr. Frenzer, Mr. Braiman and their entire Village staff never cease to amaze and impress me. Their dedication and professionalism have been apparent since the day I joined the board last year. I have spent my entire career in the retail real estate development business, working closely with Boards and staffs throughout the country. Never have I encountered a more highly qualified and effective group of professionals than the team assembled in our fair Village. This is clearly a testament Mr. Frenzer and Mr. Braiman's management and leadership. Thank you both for your kind words and well wishes.

I also want to thank Bob Bielinski for his support both during the election campaign and during my brief term on the Board. Bob is the ultimate professional and consummate leader. He devotes seemingly endless time to Board responsibilities, which he completes with great finesse and passion. As Wilmette residents, we are all very lucky to have a leader like Bob Bielinski as our Village President. He inspired me to perform at my highest level while on the Board and will undoubtedly continue to lead and motivate the other Board members during the remainder of his term.

To my fellow Board members, I wish you all good luck and great success in the future. I have enjoyed working with you as we have tackled some really tough challenges confronting the Village. I am very proud of the way we have all been able to

address controversial issues, airing our sometimes differing perspectives without letting the conversations become personal or antagonistic. This clearly reflects the respect we all hold for each other, which is often not the case on suburban Village boards. Please feel free to reach out to me in the future if I can be of assistance either professionally or personally.

I have greatly enjoyed my time on the Board and appreciate the confidence you have placed in me over the past year. Although I wish circumstances were different, allowing me to complete my current term, I know I leave matters in good hands and that the vital Village business will be handled with the highest level of competency and skill. Thank you once again and good luck.