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RESOLUTION WITH REGARD  
TO FAITHFUL AND VIGOROUS  
ENFORCEMENT OF ILLINOIS OBSCENITY LAW

WHEREAS, numerous citizens of the Village of Chatham have brought to the attention of the President and Board of Trustees that some persons may be renting and/or selling video cassette tapes within the corporate limits of the Village of Chatham which many of the citizens of said Village find offensive, and which may be unlawful as obscene as defined by §11-20 of the Illinois Criminal Code and/or constitute harmful material as defined by §11-21 of the Illinois Criminal Code;

WHEREAS, by reason of the Illinois statutes having declared the possession, use, and dissemination in certain prescribed manners of obscene things and/or harmful materials as described by said statutes to be criminal offenses, such matters are pre-empted and controlled by said State laws;

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chatham have great concern that the citizens of the Village should have the maximum protection available under said statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Force of the Village of Chatham be reminded of the definitions and standards pertaining to obscene things and harmful materials set forth in Ill. Rev. Stat. 1983, Ch. 38, §11-20 and §11-21; and further that the Village Police Force be alert to complaints by citizens of possible violations of said statutes and enforce the laws of the State of Illinois regarding such matters, as they may be amended from time to time.

PASSED Sept. 10, 1985.

APPROVED Sept. 10, 1985.

D.E. Moore  
President, Board of  
Trustees  
Village of Chatham

ATTEST:

Barbara Bickhaus  
Village Clerk