## RESOLUTION 2025-001

## A RESOLUTION DISCONTINUING THE ADDITION OF FLUORIDE TO THE WATER IN THE VILLAGE OF DEFOREST WATER UTILITY.

**WHEREAS**, the DeForest Water Utility has historically added fluoride to the municipal water supply as a public health measure; and

WHEREAS, recent studies and ongoing public debates have raised questions regarding the potential health risks associated with water fluoridation, including concerns about overexposure to fluoride and its potential effects on vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, many alternative sources of fluoride, such as toothpaste and mouth rinses, are widely available to residents, allowing individuals to make personal choices regarding fluoride use; and

WHEREAS, public input has demonstrated a significant diversity of opinions on the continuation of water fluoridation, reflecting both support for and opposition to the practice; and

WHEREAS, the DeForest Village Board recognizes the importance of transparency, public health, and individual choice in matters affecting community well-being;

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED,** The DeForest Water Utility is directed to make the necessary operational and procedural changes to discontinue fluoride addition while maintaining compliance with all other water quality standards and regulation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the DeForest Water Utility shall ensure clear communication with residents regarding this change, including educational materials about alternative sources of fluoride and dental health practices.

ADOPTED this regular meeting of the DeForest Village board this 21st day of January, 2025.

	By:
	Jane Cahill Wolfgram, Village President
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Calli Lundgren, Village Clerk	