PROCLAMATION VILLAGE OF WEST MILWAUKEE

WHEREAS, the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence has designated April as Alcohol Awareness Month; and,

WHEREAS, alcohol use and dependence is a serious problem throughout the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin continues to be the state with the greatest percentage of adults who binge drink; and,

WHEREAS, local leaders, in government and the community, know that the support of the community is the most effective tool in their efforts to reduce use and misuse of alcohol by both adults and youth; and,

WHEREAS, alcohol use and abuse is particularly damaging to one of our most valuable resources, our children, and a contributing factor in the three leading causes of death for teenagers – accidents, homicides and suicides; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of West Milwaukee are committed to the vision of living in a healthy, vibrant and safe community; and,

WHEREAS, there is a tremendous effort by businesses, service agencies, law enforcement, churches, non-profit organizations, schools, parents and youth, in collaboration with the West Allis-West Milwaukee Community Coalition, to educate and inform the community about alcohol abuse and provide support to raise healthy, drug-free children; and,

Now, therefore, may it be known, that I, Ron Hayward, Village President of West Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim, April as Alcohol Awareness Month in the Village of West Milwaukee. I encourage everyone in the community to support efforts that will increase community awareness and participate in alcohol prevention activities. Please go to www.wawncc.org for information and resources to promote the health and safety of our community, families and youth today and every day.

PASSED AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of West Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, this 2nd Day of April, 2012.

Ronald G. Hayward, Village President

Susan M. Schupp, Village Clerk