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**Niles Chamber of Commerce Celebrates Chamber of Commerce Week – September 9 -13, 2019**

The Niles Chamber of Commerce and Industry celebrates 48 years since it was incorporated as a non-profit representing local businesses. The Village of Niles, together with Mayor Andrew Przybylo and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Niles, marks the value of this fine organization, proclaiming September 9 through September 13, 2019 as “Chamber of Commerce Week”. The Illinois Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (IACCE), as the organization that supports all participating Chambers across the state of Illinois, advocates the value of local Chambers during this statewide affair.

On August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Village Board meeting, Niles’ Mayor Przybylo proclaimed that our local Chamber of Commerce “encourages the growth of existing industries, services, and commercial firms and encourages new firms and individuals to locate in the Village of Niles.....the Chamber of Commerce and its members provide citizens a strong business environment that increases employment, retail trade and commerce, and industrial growth” (Full Proclamation attached).

In celebration of Chamber of Commerce of Week, the Niles Chamber will hold several events for its new, existing and prospective partners:

**Coffee and Cake with the Chamber** – On Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> from 10a – 2p, we are inviting our existing and prospective partners to drop by the Chamber for coffee and cake. Come mingle and enjoy a sweet treat with Alicia Bermes, Executive Director, Erin Lyons, Marketing and Events Manager and Chase Conner, Communications Manager.

**Chamber Staff Will Be Out and About** – The Niles Chamber Staff is always available to our Chamber partners and believes in getting out in the community and interacting with members and local residents. We offered to pay a personal visit to our network of partners between Monday and Friday of Chamber week. With enthusiastic support we will be dropping in to see Wildwood Tavern, Niles Family Fitness and Viking Gymnastics – among many others!

**Our Chamber Champs Engagement Contest** – Every Chamber Partner that engages with the Chamber and its staff during Chamber Week will be entered in our *Chamber Champs Engagement Contest*. Interacting with our member partners matters, so the Chamber is asking that they drop in, send a note, engage in person or Like us on Facebook or Instagram. A drawing will be held at week’s end for all member partners who reached out to us!

**Art In Business Showcase** – On September 12 from 5 – 7pm, join us for the first-ever Art In Business reception held at Athletico (6000 W. Touhy, Chicago). This Showcase will feature local Niles Artisans and artists curated by the Niles Artisan Guild. Enjoy refreshments as we will celebrate the intersection of creativity and commerce.