

RESOLUTION NO. 9407-18

By the Council as a Whole

By the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Brookfield:

WHEREAS, Wisconsin has the highest rate of underage drinking and current alcohol use among high school students in the United States; and

WHEREAS, adults who provide alcohol to those below the legal drinking age of 21 are placing those youth at risk for health, safety and legal problems; and

WHEREAS, alcohol use by young people is dangerous, not only because of the risks associated with acute impairment, but also because of the grave threat to their long-term development and well-being; and

WHEREAS, it is illegal to give or allow your teen's friends to drink alcohol in your home, even with their parents' permission; and

WHEREAS, anyone found guilty of purchasing or providing alcohol to any youth other than your offspring or legal ward is subject to both state and local sanctions in addition to any civil action that may occur as a result of damages or injury related to the offense; and

WHEREAS, adults have the authority and responsibility to our youth to provide them with alternative opportunities by creating alcohol free activities; and

WHEREAS, Waukesha County Drug Free Communities Coalition, through the "Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking" campaign provides the educational materials to raise community awareness regarding this illegal and unhealthy practice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookfield strongly encourages residents to refuse to purchase, provide or pour alcoholic beverages to underage youth and to take the necessary steps to hold those who engage in this illegal and unhealthy practice to be responsible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of Brookfield that the City government not only discourages the use of alcohol by those below the legal age of consumption but also exhorts all residents of Brookfield to refuse to provide alcoholic beverages to those underage youth, and pledges to support the Brookfield Police Department efforts to identify and deter this illegal and unhealthy activity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the month of April 2018 is hereby proclaimed to be "**Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to underage drinking**" month in the City of Brookfield.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this 3rd day of April, 2018.



Steven V. Ponto, Mayor



Kelly Michaels, City Clerk