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Dear Broadview Residents, Business Stakeholders, and Visitors:

By order of the President of the United States, the Governor of Texas is sending the Texas National Guard to the Village of Broadview.

How messed up is that?

The heavily-armed Texas troops will be sent to the ICE processing facility in Broadview, converting that building into a military fortress, within shooting distance of Broadview residents' homes and businesses.

The President is blabbing incoherently on national TV about an "insurrection" and the need for "protection" of ICE agents. What nonsense. This is about a military occupation of Broadview. This is about intimidation.

The Texas National Guard's military occupation in Broadview will be rooted in the historic intimidation of African-American communities by government officials waving guns in our faces. The governor of Texas and the President want to sow fear in American citizens and Broadview residents, even while describing their military occupation as "protection." I understand how unsettling this is for you and your families and for those Americans who come to Broadview to stand for justice, the true patriots.

Nevertheless, through it all, I ask, or beg if I must, that we continue to lead and live with love, kindness, and respect. I will continue to ask of our visitors to Broadview that they please remember that we, the residents, live and work in Broadview. This is our home, our community, and our families deserve stability, security, and peace.

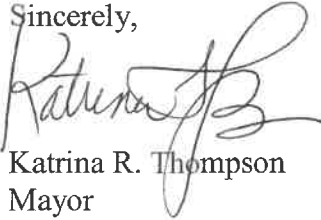
I stand with those exercising their First Amendment rights, but I also stand for unity over division. We cannot allow our emotions to divide us as a community, a state, or a nation against the injustices being done in the name of "law and order." That division is the aim of the Governor of Texas and the President of the United States.

Nevertheless, the executive order that I issued, establishing demonstration hours between 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. nearby, will remain in place to protect the integrity and safety of our community. I understand that the provocation of the Texas National Guard in Broadview will inspire people to speak out against their presence. I support that. But those visiting Broadview must do so with understanding and respect for the people who call this Village home.

No one should have to live in fear, fear generated by the intimidation being created by the federal government or the State of Texas. But people of Broadview have nowhere else to go. Visitors can return to their communities free from the trauma and tension that ICE agents' unprovoked chemical weapons attacks have brought here, and the trauma and tension the Texas troops will bring.

So today, and every day, I call upon all of us to walk in love, peace, and kindness. Let us rise above fear and continue to show the strength and grace that define who we are.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katrina R. Thompson', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Katrina R. Thompson
Mayor