PROCLAMATION NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

- WHEREAS, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of all Americans; and
- **WHEREAS,** the arts and humanities affect every aspect of life in America today including the economy, social problem solving, job creation, education, creativity, and community livability; and
- WHEREAS, cities and states, through their local and state arts agencies and representing thousands of cultural organizations, have celebrated the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans and the health of thriving communities during National Arts and Humanities Month for several years; and
- **WHEREAS**, the United States Conference of Mayors has actively participated in National Arts and Humanities Month since 1984; and
- **WHEREAS,** the United States Conference of Mayors' national arts partner, Americans for the Arts, will again coordinate this year a national awareness campaign of activities for National Arts and Humanities Month; and
- WHEREAS, the nation's 40,000 cultural organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the nation's 4,000 local arts agencies, the arts and humanities councils of the 50 states and U.S. jurisdictions, and the President of the United States have participated in the past and will be asked to participate again this year in this national celebration; and
- **WHEREAS**, the month of October 2005 has been designated as National Arts and Humanities Month;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2005 as National Arts and Humanities Month in the Village and encourage our residents to participate in and to celebrate the month of October as the "the arts all around us", which captures an important message that the arts are present every day in our lives.

William J. Mueller Village President