

- **WHEREAS**, there is a need for additional healthy, regular volunteer donors to join the ranks of those who already give of themselves so generously because donating blood is safe, simple, saves lives and there are no substitutes or replacements for blood; and
- WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared January to be National Volunteer Blood Donor Month; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Village of Lombard is a member of Heartland's Four Seasons Club by hosting Blood Drives in Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall each year; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard in conjunction with Heartland Blood Center Blood Drive will host drives on January 7, April 15, July 15 and September 9 from 12:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall; and
- **WHEREAS,** we are urging you to make an appointment to donate blood by calling the Village Hall at 620-5712; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Village's goal is 209 pints of blood to kick-off the New Year and help over six-hundred people;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2009 as Volunteer Blood Donor Month in the Village and urge all residents to pay tribute to those among us who donate for others in need. I further urge everyone in good health to donate regularly and urge all civic and service organizations and businesses, if they have not already done so, to form blood donor groups to provide the "gift of life".

William J. Mueller Village President