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Via Electronic Mail (Henaghanj@villageoflombard.org)

Jennifer Henaghan
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Dear Ms. Henaghan:

As you know, at the next Village of Lombard Board of Trustees meeting, the Board will be considering approval of the conditional use and variation (Plan Commission Case PC 08-23) recommended by the Plan Commission on August 18, 2008. Because the proposed construction schedule to open the new location for the Illinois Center for Broadcasting ("School") is tight, we are writing to request that the Trustees waive the "first reading" requirement for this approval.

The School is on a tight deadline to get the facility open for business. Our original goal was to be open by November 1st, 2008. Although that date is no longer feasible, it is important from a construction standpoint, and the School's schedule, that operations can commence in the new location on or about December, 15, 2008. From the day that Village Board approval for the conditional use is approved, we will need at least three (3) weeks to complete the construction drawings, approximately three (3) weeks to obtain construction permits, and then eight (8) weeks of construction. After the construction is completed, we will need to furnish and wire the space for technology, receive the certificate of occupancy, and obtain approval from the State authorities as well as our national accreditation provider. This will take an additional two (2) weeks. In the best scenario, the entire project will be completed in Mid-December.

The delay in waiting for a first and second reading (due to the Board's schedule) would delay each of the steps above, and jeopardize the School's ability to open in 2008. We respectfully request that the Trustees agree to waive the first reading so that the project can stay on schedule.

If you or anyone on the Board has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Also, I plan to be at the September 4 Board of Trustees meeting should anyone on the Board or the Staff have questions at that time. Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Yours truly,



George F. Voinovich
Vice-President & COO