

**PROCLAMATION
CHICAGO TONIGHT DAY**

- WHEREAS,** on March 9, 2009 Chicago Tonight, WTTW11's highly regarded nightly newsmagazine marked a quarter-century of broadcast excellence; and
- WHEREAS,** Chicago Tonight was the vision of two legendary Chicago journalists – its original host John Callaway and political analyst and broadcaster Bruce DuMont; and
- WHEREAS,** in the years that followed, a virtual who's who of Chicago's political, business, journalism, entertainment and sports communities as well as countless national newsmakers have appeared on Chicago Tonight; and
- WHEREAS,** in June 1999, John Callaway relinquished his role to Phil Ponce, who is today the lead anchor sharing on-air duties for a time with Bob Sirott; and
- WHEREAS,** Chicago Tonight is the timely, smart choice and the go-to local TV show for making sense of today's events; and
- WHEREAS,** when Chicago Tonight started twenty-five years ago, no one could have guessed how valuable it would become to an audience that has grown more and more diverse; and
- WHEREAS,** Chicago Tonight will host a benefit gala on Friday, April 17 at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance and will be host to many celebrities; and
- WHEREAS,** on behalf of the residents of the Village of Lombard, we want to thank Chicago Tonight for twenty-five years of dedicated service to the community;
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 17, 2009 as **WTTW11's Chicago Tonight Day** in the Village of Lombard in honor of twenty-five years of successful news broadcasting.

William J. Mueller
Village President

