

**PROCLAMATION
CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, the Congregation Etz Chaim was founded in 1960 by eight local families;
and

WHEREAS, in 1973 the Congregation moved to its present location at 1710 South
Highland Avenue in Lombard; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Steven Bob came to the Etz Chaim in 1981 as the Congregation's
fourth fulltime rabbi; Rabbi Andrea Cosnowsky came to the Congregation
in July 2005 as Assistant Rabbi and Anne Stein joined the staff as
Educator in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the Congregation prides itself on being a growing, thriving center of Reform
Judaism where both young and old are welcomed and cherished; and

WHEREAS, the Congregation depends on its members to shape its character through
involvement in programming and committees; and

WHEREAS, the Congregation plays a leadership role in Lombard Interfaith activity and
supporting the hungry and the homeless; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the Congregation Etz Chaim's 50th anniversary in April, several
activities are being planned to be held on April 16, 17 and 18;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do
hereby proclaim April 16-18, 2010 as **CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM'S 50TH
ANNIVERSARY DAYS** in the Village of Lombard and wish the Congregation
and all of its members congratulations on this milestone and all the best in
the years ahead.

William J. Mueller
Village President

