

BURN AWARENESS WEEK FEBRUARY 4 – 10, 2007 HEAT, IT DOESN'T TAKE FLAMES TO BURN

- **WHEREAS,** severe burn injuries are a leading cause of deaths and injuries in North America, especially among young children; and
- **WHEREAS,** every year more than 2 million people suffer injuries of some kind, and more than one of every three burn victims are children; and
- WHEREAS, approximately 75 percent of all burn injuries and deaths are preventable; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Shriners of North America operate four Shiners Hospitals that provide medical care totally free of charge to severely burned children; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Shriners of North American and Shriners Hospitals join with other burn facilities across the nation in recognizing the seriousness of this hazard and the urgent need to educate the public about burn prevention and fire safety; and
- **WHEREAS,** it is fitting and appropriate to acknowledge the contribution of the Shriners of North America and the Lombard Fire Department for their continued support and care for young burn victims,

NOW, THEREFORE, I William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim, February 4 - 10, 2007 as

"Burn Awareness Week"

in the Village of Lombard and do encourage all of our residents to support the Shriners Hospitals and to take appropriate precautions to protect their families from devastating burn injuries.

William J. Mueller Village President