

**PROCLAMATION
JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH**

- WHEREAS,** jazz is an original American art form that affirms the noblest aspirations of our national character, individual discipline, perseverance and innovation; and
- WHEREAS,** jazz has produced some of America's leading creative artists and ranks as one of America's greatest exports to the world; and
- WHEREAS,** jazz has inspired dancers, choreographers, poets, novelists, filmmakers, classical composers, and musicians in many other kinds of music; and
- WHEREAS,** we honor and recognize the outstanding work that all jazz artists, educators and enthusiasts present; and
- WHEREAS,** jazz has spoken eloquently of freedom for people in the United States and abroad, and has become an international language that bridges differences and brings people of all races, ages, and backgrounds together; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 13, 2012 cities will celebrate Jazz Day and mayors are encouraged to plan jazz related activities and programming; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States Conference of Mayors members have participated in Jazz Appreciation Month for the past five years; and
- WHEREAS,** the month of April 2012 has been designated as Jazz Appreciation Month;
- NOW THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim April 13, 2012 as **JAZZ DAY** in the Village of Lombard and encourage residents to celebrate the month of April 2012 as **JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH.** .

William J. Mueller
Village President

