



**PROCLAMATION  
WALK TO SCHOOL DAY**

**WHEREAS**, a lack of physical activity plays a leading role in rising rates of obesity, diabetes and other health problems among children and walking or bicycling to school offers an opportunity to build activity into daily routine; and

**WHEREAS**, driving students to school in private vehicles contributes to traffic congestion and air pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, parents and caregivers should teach children about pedestrian safety and become aware of the health and environmental risks related to physical inactivity and air pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, children, parents and community leaders around the world will walk and bicycle to school on "International Walk to School Day", October 8, 2008;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2008 as **Walk to School Day** in the Village of Lombard and encourage our children to walk or bicycle to school on that day and everyday.

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William J. Mueller  
Village President

