

*PROCLAMATION*

*DUPAGE RIVER SWEEP 2006*

**WHEREAS,** the County of DuPage, through the Department of Stormwater Management and municipalities and park districts, recognizes ongoing stream cleaning as essential for the preservation of waterways throughout DuPage County and Northeastern Illinois; and

**WHEREAS,** DuPage County River Sweep is a county-wide stream cleanup held during American Rivers Month, the first weekend in June; and

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of River Sweep is to encourage citizens and volunteer groups to help “sweep our rivers clean” by picking up debris in and along our waterways; and

**WHEREAS,** stream cleaning efforts have been highly successful with more than 6,000 volunteers removing more than 170 tons of solid waste from DuPage County streams since 1991; and

**WHEREAS,** the mission statement of DuPage County includes environmental preservation as a primary core value regarding the preservation of open space, sensitivity towards environmental issues, efficient management of natural resources, aesthetic enhancement, and leadership in environmental education; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners of DuPage County believe in and encourage partnership in accordance with the DuPage River Coalition and the Conservation Foundation;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2006 as **Rivers Month** and encourage all residents to learn about the environmental importance of clean waterways and further urge support of River Sweep 2006 on Saturday, June 3.

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William J. Mueller  
Village President

