

**PROCLAMATION  
LILAC TIME IN LOMBARD**

**WHEREAS,** May 2 through May 17, 2009 has been established as the time for the Lilac Festival activities in Lombard; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lombard Park District in looking forward to another outstanding festival this year, one which does justice to the rich horticultural tradition of the Village of Lombard and which entertains and delights both residents and visitors alike; and

**WHEREAS,** following the death of Colonel Plum in 1927, his estate was bequeathed to the Village as a park and his home given to be used as a free public library and reading rooms now known as Lilacia Park and the Helen Plum Memorial Library; and

**WHEREAS,** Lilacia Park is home to 1,200 lilacs and 25,000 blooms of tulips and other flowers; and

**WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard is proud to be the home of the Lilac Festival this year and every year; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lilac Princesses represent the Village during Lilac Time and the year which follows;

**WHEREAS,** the Lilac Queen and her Court are a very important part of the entire Lilac Festival and we are proud of our Lilac Princesses Elizabeth Bucko, Laura Edwards, Jamie Lemens, Maggie Leonard and Anna Rogarska; and

**WHEREAS,** this year marks the celebration of the 55th Lilac Parade and the 79<sup>th</sup> Lilac Festival in Lombard; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim May 2 – May 17, 2009 as Lilac Time in Lombard and urge residents to take part in this year's Lilac Time celebration and activities.

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William J. Mueller  
Village President

