

1ST 100 TOWNS IN COMPLIANCE

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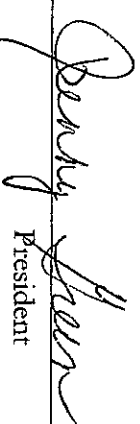
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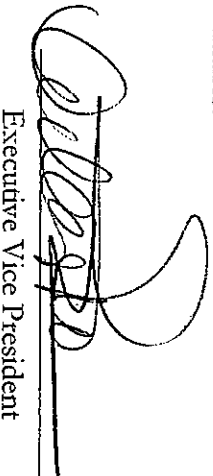
Village of Lombard

For being in compliance with the newly mandated Safe Haven sign law.

On behalf of the Save Abandoned Babies Foundation, we salute your commitment to the protection of newborn infants.



Penny Green
President



Executive Vice President

For more information, visit www.SaveAbandonedBabies.org.

To speak with a crisis counselor, call 888-510-BABY (2229).

You're scared. You're alone. You thought you were out of options. You're not. In Illinois, a parent who cannot care for their newborn up to 7 days old can legally hand the unharmed infant to a staff member at a **fire station, police station, or hospital** and walk away, no questions asked. When you see this sign, you know it's safe, it's legal, and totally anonymous. Your newborn will be adopted and you can walk away knowing your baby and your secret are safe.

and "here" is anywhere you see this sign.



help is here.

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Tell a friend. Talk about it. You might save a life.



Dear Village President Mueller:

SB335, enacted last August, requires all Illinois Safe Havens to post a uniform sign on the exterior of their building to help identify the facility as a state designated Safe Haven. I am pleased to present you with this certificate naming the Village of Lombard to be among the first 100 cities in Illinois to be in compliance with this recently mandated Safe Haven sign law.

The Safe Haven law offers a desperate parent a safe and legal option to unsafe infant abandonment. An unharmed newborn up to seven days old can be relinquished to personnel at any fire station, police station, or hospital with no questions asked.

To be identified as a city in compliance, your police, fire, and hospital if applicable must have all ordered signs. We are preparing a press release which will highlight reaching the 100 cities in compliance mark. Enclosed is a sample press release for your use to help educate and reinforce the Safe Haven message to your community. Brochures and posters are available free of charge from our website, and I encourage you to do all you can to ensure your community is aware of this law. Please share with us any resulting press you might generate for possible inclusion on our site.

Since originally passed in 2001, there have been 44 safe and legal relinquishments; during that same timeframe there have been another 49 unsafe abandonments with 24 of those babies found dead. Clearly the need for awareness is great.

Thank you for your city's commitment to the Safe Haven law and the infants of Illinois. Working together, we CAN make a difference.

Sincerely,

Penny Green

President

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