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PROCLAMATION

**NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR
AWARENESS WEEK**

- WHEREAS,** currently more than 87,000 men, women and children in our country, including nearly 5,000 in Illinois, are waiting for lifesaving organ transplants; and
- WHEREAS,** an average of 17 Americans die each day due to the growing and critical shortage of donated organs for transplant; and
- WHEREAS,** caring Illinois families have consented to give the gift of life through organ/tissue donation at the death of a loved one; and
- WHEREAS,** thousands of men, women and children in Illinois and their families have celebrated new life through organ and tissue donations; and
- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard will be holding their Employee Health & Wellness Fair on April 21, 2005 promoting total wellness; and
- WHEREAS,** Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White has declared the Village of Lombard as a "Life Goes On" area to promote organ and tissue donation and "spread the word" about donation,
- NOW THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim April 2005 as **National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Month** in the Village of Lombard.

William J. Mueller
Village President