

**PROCLAMATION  
WOMEN IN SMALL BUSINESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, October has been declared Woman in Small Business Month; and

WHEREAS, women are starting businesses at twice the rate of men; and

WHEREAS, currently there are over 10.6 million women-owned businesses employing 19.1 million people and generating \$2.5 trillion in sales; and =

WHEREAS, women make or influence over 80% of all purchasing decisions; and

WHEREAS, business growth is the #1 concern of business owners; and

WHEREAS, by 2010, women will have the majority of wealth in America; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard is proud to have many women-owned businesses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard commends the fortitude and stamina of women who pursue their own businesses and help to make our community a great place to live and work;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim October 2007 as Woman in Small Business Month in Lombard and recognize the accomplishments of women as they strive and succeed in business ownership.

William J. Mueller  
Village President

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