

**PROCLAMATION  
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**

**WHEREAS,** “Volunteers Inspire by Example” is the theme for the 32nd annual Volunteer Week; and

**WHEREAS,** a volunteer is someone that performs charitable or helpful tasks without pay; and

**WHEREAS,** from the earliest days of our nation’s history, the spirit of volunteerism has been reflected in neighbors helping neighbors to overcome obstacles; and

**WHEREAS,** the basis for a safe and productive America is the people’s willingness to work together, without prejudice, to find solutions to our human and social problems; and

**WHEREAS,** the talents and energies of American volunteers continue to be one of our greatest resources; and

**WHEREAS,** volunteering renews our connections to our community, and builds self worth, character, and social responsibility in our children; and

**WHEREAS,** it is fitting that Illinois’ citizens honor those that donate their time, energy, and strength to make our communities and our nation, a safer and more productive place to live and work;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim April 17 – 23, 2005 as **National Volunteer Week** in the Village of Lombard and encourage all residents to recognize those that serve as volunteers in our communities and find the time in their own lives for volunteer work.

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William J. Mueller  
Village President

