PROCLAMATION LOMBARD CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY TWENTY YEAR ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy is an all-volunteer association of residents and business owners that was founded in 1997; and

- WHEREAS, the members of the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy have volunteered at more than 30 events and devoted an average of 1300 hours each year of their time to events such as the Lilac Parade, the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, Wire Watch Program, Shop With a Cop, the Special Olympics Torch Run, Ryder Cup, annual food drives, the Arts and Craft Fair, Cruise Nights and Memorial Day; and
- WHEREAS, the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy annually raise thousands of dollars in funds to support the annual award of college scholarships to the children of police officers and firefighters, Heroes for Annie, Special Olympics and equipment purchases for the police department; and
- WHEREAS, the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy has raised an average of \$12,210 per year each year since 2010; donated over \$95,000 to the Shop with a Cop Program; donated \$40,000 to the Police Department for equipment; and donated \$23,000 toward college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the volunteer and fundraising efforts of the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy have benefitted the community and the Lombard Police Department beyond a value that can be measured;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith T. Giagnorio, Village President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2018 as **LOMBARD CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY DAY** in the Village of Lombard as a way to honor those residents who devote so much of their time, energy and enthusiasm to supporting the Lombard Police Department, the community and the Village of Lombard.

Keith T. Giagnorio Village President