

CONSTITUTION WEEK

- **WHEREAS,** our Founding Fathers, in order to secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and their posterity, did ordain and establish a Constitution for the United States of America; and
- **WHEREAS,** it is of the greatest importance that all citizens fully understand the provisions and the principles contained in the Constitution in order to effectively support, preserve and defend it against all enemies; and
- **WHEREAS,** the two-hundred-seventeenth anniversary of the Signing of the Constitution provides an historic opportunity for all Americans to remember the achievements of the Framers of the Constitution and the rights, privileges, and responsibilities they afforded us in this unique document; and
- WHEREAS, the independence guaranteed to American citizens, whether by birth of naturalization, should be celebrated by appropriate ceremonies and activities during Constitution Week, September 17 through 23, as designated by proclamation of the President of the United States of America in accordance with Public Law 915;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, William J. Mueller, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23, 2004 as Constitution Week in the Village of Lombard and urge all citizens to reflect during that week on the many benefits of our Federal Constitution and the privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship.

William J. Mueller Village President