



Economic Development Month Proclamation

Whereas, the International Economic Development Council is celebrating its 90th anniversary in 2016; and

Whereas, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economical development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

Whereas, the International Economic Development Council provides leadership and excellence in economic development for communities, members, and partners through conferences, training courses, advisory services and research, in depth publications, public policy, advocacy, and Initiatives such as the Accredited Economic Development program and the Certified Economic Developer designation; and

Whereas, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

Whereas, economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy; and

Whereas, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

Whereas, economic developers attract and retain high quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

Whereas, economic developers work in the Village of Montgomery, within the State of Illinois,

Now, therefore, I Matt Brolley, President of the Village of Montgomery do hereby proclaim May 8th -May 14, 2016 as **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK** in the Village of Montgomery, Illinois and commend the International Economic Development Council and its officers, staff, and members on its 90th anniversary and recognize 2016 as " The Year of the Economic Developer".

Dated this 9th day of May, 2016.



Matt Brolley, Village President, Montgomery, Illinois