



WHEREAS, Crime Stoppers of Lake County was formed in 1983 and is a community program comprised of concerned citizens who work closely with police authorities, the news media, and the public in the fight against crime in Lake County and surrounding communities; and,

WHEREAS, Crime Stoppers combats local crime by offering cash rewards to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest of felony crime offenders or the capture of felony fugitives. Informants always remain anonymous, and cash rewards are funded primarily by private contributions; and,

WHEREAS, thanks to Crime Stoppers, there have been more than 6,665 criminal arrests throughout Lake County, Northern Illinois, and Wisconsin since the program's inception in 1983. Altogether, more than \$29 million worth of contraband and stolen property has been seized; and,

WHEREAS, the success of Crime Stoppers would not be possible without the support of everyone in the community. Consequently, Crime Stoppers also promotes the importance of reporting suspicious behavior and criminal activity; and,

WHEREAS, to support their mission, Crime Stoppers of Lake County raises money and sponsors events designed to raise awareness during the month of January;

THEREFORE, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim January 2017 as **CRIME STOPPERS OF LAKE COUNTY MONTH** in Illinois, in recognition of their successful program, and encourage all citizens to help keep their communities safe and free of crime.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



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SECRETARY OF STATE

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this FOURTEENTH day of DECEMBER, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
SIXTEEN, and of the State of Illinois,
one hundred and NINETY-EIGHTH.

Bruce Rauner

GOVERNOR