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PROCLAMATION FOR CONSTITUTION WEEK

WHEREAS: It is the privilege and duty of the American people to commemorate the two hundred twenty-first anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and

WHEREAS: Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

NOW, THEREFORE I, Tom Gray by virtue of the authority vested in me as **Mayor of the Village of Chatham** do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and urge all citizens to study the Constitution, and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the **Village of Chatham** to be affixed this 7 day of SEPT of the year of our Lord two thousand eight.

Signed _____

Thomas S. Gray





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August 25, 2008

Tom Gray, Mayor
The Village of Chatham
116 E. Mulberry Street
Chatham, IL 62629

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Wednesday, September 17, 2008, begins the national celebration of Constitution Week. The weeklong commemoration of America's most important document is one of our country's least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those unalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). "Constitution Week is the perfect opportunity to read and study this great document which is the safeguard of our American liberties," states DAR President General, Linda Gist Calvin. "We encourage all citizens across the country to take time this week to reflect on our heritage of freedom."

In honor of this celebration the Captain William Penny Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution here in Chatham would like to ask you as mayor to issue the enclosed proclamation for this auspicious occasion.

We would like to thank you in advance for your participation in this celebration of our national heritage. We would also like a photograph of you with some of our members at the time of the signing of the document. Could you contact me with a time convenient for you to participate in this photo?

Sincerely,

Anna Marie Koontz

Anna Marie Koontz, Regent
Captain William Penny Chapter, NSDAR
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