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Robert G. Abboud  
President of the Village Board of Trustees  
Village of Barrington Hills  
112 Algonquin Road  
Barrington Hills, Illinois 60010-5199

Dear Mr. Abboud:

I am writing to commend you and fellow members of the Village Board of Trustees on your recent proclamation recognizing the benefits of Barrington Hills being a "Dark Sky" community.

By working to minimize outdoor light pollution and protect the visibility of the night sky, the Village of Barrington Hills has distinguished itself as a role model for communities across the state of Illinois.

Effective outdoor lighting not only promotes efficient use of our energy resources; it also enables residents of all ages to enjoy the splendor of the stars and provides an engaging opportunity for science education.

Please accept my congratulations on your commitment to preserving the dark sky in Barrington Hills and participating in the International Year of Astronomy throughout 2009.

I wish you all the best for a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

  
Pat Quinn  
Lt. Governor