

Before the Township Board of Vernon Township
Lake County, Illinois

A Proclamation

Proclaiming May 15, 2017, to be William E. Peterson Day in
Vernon Township, Lake County, Illinois

- Whereas,** William E. Peterson has served with honor and distinction as Vernon Township Supervisor since 1977 and as a Vernon Township Trustee from 1973 through 1977; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson served honorably in the United States Army and the United States Army Reserves, earning the rank of Sergeant; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson is a former teacher and served as an elementary school principal of Ravinia School in Highland Park; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson represented our community with dedication for ten years in the Illinois House of Representatives and for sixteen years in the Illinois Senate; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson's commitment to helping our most vulnerable neighbors led him to establish Vernon Township's food pantry; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson created numerous programs to support the children and seniors of Vernon Township, including the youth summer camp and the reduced taxi fare programs; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson was instrumental in the construction of the Prairie View Metra Station, the only station of its kind in the State of Illinois that is owned and operated by a township; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson has volunteered his time to local charitable, civic and educational organizations, including the Long Grove Lions Club, Omni Youth Services, Friends of the Vernon Area Library, the Stevenson High School Band Parents' Organization, the United Way of Lake County, and the Township Officials of Illinois; and
- Whereas,** Mr. Peterson's service has been a blessing to our community, our state, and our country for more than forty years;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed by the Township Board of Vernon Township that Monday, May 15, 2017, is **WILLIAM E. PETERSON DAY** in Vernon Township, Lake County, Illinois, and that we congratulate Mr. Peterson on his lifetime of remarkable service.

Presented this Fifteenth Day of May 2017



Daniel C. Didech, Supervisor



Barbara Barnabee, Clerk