

**PROCLAMATION**  
*In Recognition of the 236<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
of the  
United States Army*

**WHEREAS**, The United States Army is celebrating its 236<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 14, 2011 and will be recognized with great pride the thousands of young Americans who have answered, and will continue to answer, the call to service; and

**WHEREAS**, These young men and women have shown a profound sense of duty, selfless service and respect through acts of great honor, integrity and personal courage; and

**WHEREAS**, The all-volunteer Army is a uniquely American phenomenon that began as an experiment at the height of the Cold War and the quality and success of the volunteer force remains unprecedented; and

**WHEREAS**, Today, the United States Army is recognized as the premier army in the world, with America's volunteer Soldiers serving in 120 countries; and

**WHEREAS**, American Soldiers are voluntarily foregoing comfort and wealth, facing hardship and sacrifice, and confronting danger in defense of the Nation; the United States Army is and will remain a testament to the success of Army recruiters in attracting the Nation's best and brightest to volunteer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, DANIEL J. McLAUGHLIN, Mayor of the Village of  
Orland Park, Illinois do hereby designate June 14, 2011 at the United States Army 236<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday and proclaim the period of June 13 through June 18, 2011, as United States Army  
Week in Orland Park, Illinois.**

*DATED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011.*

*Signed:* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Daniel J. McLaughlin, Mayor*