



City of St. Charles

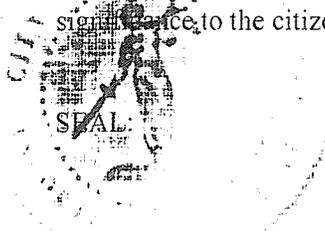
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Proclamation

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK 2012

- WHEREAS, the **ST. CHARLES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** works with the businesses, merchants, and industry to advance the civic, economic, industrial, professional, and cultural life of the City of St. Charles; and
- WHEREAS, **CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE** have contributed to the civic and economic life of Illinois for 174 years since the founding of the Galena Chamber of Commerce in 1838; and
- WHEREAS, this year marks the 93rd anniversary of the founding of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, the state's leading broad-based business organization; and
- WHEREAS, the **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** and its members provide citizens with a strong business environment that increases employment, the retail trade and commerce, and industrial growth in order to make the City of St. Charles a better place to live; and
- WHEREAS, the **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** encourages the growth of existing industries, services, and commercial firms and encourages new firms and individuals to locate in the City of St. Charles; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Illinois is the home to International Chambers of Commerce, the Great Lakes Region Office of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, and more than 456 local Chambers of Commerce.

THEREFORE, I, Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, so proclaim **September 10 through September 14, 2012**, as **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK** in St. Charles and call its significance to the citizens of the City of St. Charles.




Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor