

My quote to the Illinois Coalition Against Tobacco: www.ilcat.org

"As a local elected official, I want to be able to give my residents what they demand and deserve - protection from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke while in public places like restaurants and bars.

However, because of a quirk in the Illinois Clean Indoor Air Act, only 20 communities in Illinois are allowed to do so. Over 1,300 other communities, including mine, cannot.

I urge the Governor to sign HB672, which would allow local elected officials in all Illinois communities, not just a chosen few, determine if being smoke-free is right for their residents.

/s/ Robert "Bob" Brandt
Trustee - Village of Woodridge"