

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH
MAY 2022**

- WHEREAS,** mental health issues and trauma have a significant impact on the physical, emotional and mental wellbeing of families and communities, with 20% of youth experiencing severe mental disorders; and
- WHEREAS,** major depression and bipolar disorder are common causes of hospitalization and individuals have struggled with depression due to the COVID-19 pandemic impact; and
- WHEREAS,** people diagnosed with mental illness can achieve strength and recovery through individual and group treatment, allowing people to reach their full potential; and
- WHEREAS,** agencies like SamaraCare, Linden Oaks and 360 Youth Services are dedicated to providing treatment and support; and NAMI-DuPage, Interfaith Mental Health Coalition and KidsMatter are dedicated to reducing the stigma on mental illness by sharing ideas and resources; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Naperville is honored to work with these organizations and urges all citizens to talk openly and honestly about mental health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Chirico, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH
in the City of Naperville**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 3rd day of May 2022.



Steve Chirico, Mayor

