

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

# PROCLAMATION

## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

MAY 2017

**WHEREAS,** mental health requires the same attention as physical health. With Approximately 1 in 5 adults experiencing mental illness in a given year and 1 in 5 youth experiencing a severe mental disorder at some point during their life; and

**WHEREAS,** mood disorders, including major depression and bipolar disorder, are a common cause of hospitalization and suicide is a leading cause of death. Furthermore individuals are interconnected and interdependent and their struggles effect the community at large; and

**WHEREAS,** treatment works. Many people diagnosed with mental illness achieve strength and recovery through participating in individual or group treatment. Treatment allows people to live life well and fully; and


**WHEREAS,** SamaraCare, Linden Oaks Behavioral Health and 360 Youth Services are dedicated to providing mental health treatment that supports people in achieving their full potential; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Naperville is honored to work with these organizations in raising public awareness 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 2017 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 second day of May, 2017.



Steve Chirico  
Mayor

