

**NAPERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM**

DATE: April 15, 2019

TO: Bill Novack, Director of Transportation, Engineering, & Development

FROM: Robert W. Marshall, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Chief of Police Robert Worthel Honorary Designation

Purpose: The purpose of this memorandum is to request the intersection of School Ave and Washington St to be named in Honor of Police Chief Robert Worthel who was killed in the line of duty.

Background: On September 24, 1927, Naperville Police Chief Robert Worthel was chasing robbery suspects on his police motorcycle when a vehicle pulled in front of him at the intersection of Washington St and School Ave. Police Chief Worthel was subsequently killed in a motorcycle crash in the line of duty. Public service is a commitment of every police officer and he gave his life to make Naperville a safe community. This coming September will mark the 92nd remembrance of Chief Worthel's death. The Naperville Police Department is planning some activities to remember Chief Worthel's service to Naperville including an Honor Chair made and donated by an all-volunteer group in Texas. The group will be transporting and presenting the Honor Chair from Texas to Naperville on Tuesday, September 24th.

Accordingly, I am requesting the formal dedication of the Washington St and School Ave intersection to be named in the Honor of Chief Robert Worthel. The unveiling of the dedication is requested to be made on Tuesday, September 24th.

Recommendation: Facilitate the formal process of dedicating the intersection of Washington St and School Ave in the Honor of Police Chief Robert Worthel.