

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH
FEBRUARY 2025**

- WHEREAS,** Each February, Black History Month is celebrated to honor the rich history, culture, and contributions of African Americans; and
- WHEREAS,** we acknowledge the pivotal role our past and present citizens, African American leaders, educators, and social justice pioneers played in shaping our communities and our nation; and
- WHEREAS,** by officially recognizing Black History Month, we can foster a sense of appreciation for the diversity that enriches the community; and
- WHEREAS,** Naperville Neighbors United would like to recognize and celebrate the contributions of African Americans as a meaningful way to promote understanding and unity; and
- WHEREAS,** Naperville Neighbors United will host a community event on February 20th titled, “It Takes a Village: A Journey of Culture, Perseverance, and Courage” that encourages building a future grounded in mutual understanding of all histories that shape our experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Wehrli, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby recognize **Naperville Neighbors United** for its unwavering commitment to fostering unity and inclusiveness and proclaim February 2025 as **Black History Month** in the City of Naperville.

I encourage all residents to participate in this celebration, to learn about Black history and culture, and to contribute to building a community that values and uplifts its diversity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 4th day of February 2025.



Scott Wehrli, Mayor