

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH
APRIL 2022**

- WHEREAS,** Autism Spectrum Disorder is the most common developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interactions, verbal and non-verbal communications and repetitive behaviors; and
- WHEREAS,** there is no cure for Autism, yet in 2021 CDC reported one in 44 children in the U.S. will be diagnosed, affecting one in 27 boys and one in 116 girls; and
- WHEREAS,** an early diagnosis and intensive treatment has been demonstrated to provide positive help for enhancing appropriate communication, functioning more independently and improving inclusion in the family and community; and
- WHEREAS,** for agencies dedicated to improving the education, skills, communications, life skills and job opportunities of those with Autism, it is important to recognize Naperville School 203, Indian Prairie School 204, Little Friends, Ray Graham Association, Turning Pointe, Giant Steps, Western DuPage Special Recreation, Linden Oaks Behavioral Health, Naperville Park District and others; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Naperville is honored to work with these organizations in raising public awareness of the 15th annual World Autism Awareness Month throughout the entire month of April.

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

**WORLD AUTISM 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 5th day of April 2022.



STEVE CHIRICO

Steve Chirico, Mayor

