

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**SEWADIWALI FOOD DRIVE RECOGNITION
OCTOBER 5 – NOVEMBER 10, 2024**

WHEREAS, “Sewa” is the act of selfless service embedded in Indian culture and “Diwali” is a festival that celebrates the victory of light over darkness; and

WHEREAS, 50 Naperville area based Indian American organizations joined together to organize the SewaDiwali Food Drive to feed Naperville families in need in the spirit of Sewa; and

WHEREAS, through these commendable and selfless efforts the true spirit of Diwali permeates our community where diversity is one of our greatest strengths and inclusion is a commitment underscored by the mission statement of the City of Naperville; and

WHEREAS, Loaves & Fishes Community Services has witnessed an overwhelming surge for its services, indicating the profound impact of economic hardships faced by many families; and

WHEREAS, we give thanks to the many individuals and organizations that are part of the 2024 SewaDiwali Food Drive with recognition appended hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Wehrli, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby recognize October 5 – November 10, 2024 as

**SEWADIWALI FOOD DRIVE
in the City of Naperville**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 19th day of November 2024.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Wehrli", is written over a horizontal line.

Scott Wehrli, Mayor