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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**ARTS DUPAGE MONTH
OCTOBER 2020**

WHEREAS, amid the COVID-19 pandemic, the role of the arts has never been more important to inspire, heal, and connect us within our county; and

WHEREAS, the arts embody much of the accumulated wealth, intellect, and imagination of humankind, enriching us as individuals and playing a unique role in the lives of our families and our communities; and

WHEREAS, the arts promote a better understanding of the diversified cultures within our communities and unify us regardless of age, race and ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, the arts sector in DuPage County consists of 2,272 arts related businesses and account for 4.2% of the total number of businesses in the region, providing full-time employment for over 15,000 workers in DuPage County; and

WHEREAS, Naperville possesses a vibrant and valuable arts community including Brightside Theatre, Summer Place Theatre, Fair Lady Productions, Artful Impact, Arranmore Events, Young Naperville Singers, Naperville Chorus, Century Walk Naperville, Naperville Art League, Naperville Men’s Glee Club, Pete Ellman Big Band, North Central College Fine Arts and many more; and

WHEREAS, the arts improve our economy, enrich our civic life, drive tourism and commerce, and exert a profound positive influence on the education of our children,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Chirico, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby proclaim October 2020 as

**ARTS DUPAGE MONTH
in the City of Naperville**

and call upon our community members to celebrate and promote the arts in our region.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 6th day of October, 2020.



Steve Chirico, Mayor

