

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

**AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH  
APRIL 2021**

**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 the CDC estimates 1 in 54 children in the United States will be diagnosed, affecting more than 3.5 million Americans; 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 2021 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 7th day of April 2021.



Steve Chirico, Mayor

