

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

PROCLAMATION

**VFW BUDDY POPPY DAYS
MAY 22 – 27, 2019**

WHEREAS, the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has been officially recognized and endorsed by governmental leaders since 1922; and

WHEREAS, VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans, and the proceeds of this worthy fund-raising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of veterans and their families; and

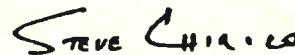
WHEREAS, the basic purpose of the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the VFW is eloquently reflected in the desire to "Honor the Dead by Helping the Living."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Chirico, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby proclaim May 22 - 27, 2019 as

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and urge all citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as visible evidence of our gratitude for the freedoms which we continue to enjoy as American citizens and request all citizens to contribute generously to its support through donations for Buddy Poppies on the days dedicated to the distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead and those who still serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this twenty first day of May, 2019.



Steve Chirico
Mayor

