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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**NAPERVILLE'S HERSTORY DAY
AUGUST 26, 2020**

WHEREAS, August 26, 2020 is the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution granting women the right to vote and Naper Settlement is commemorating this anniversary by featuring HerStory, telling the story of Naperville women through time; and

WHEREAS, Naperville's single most influential philanthropist, Caroline Martin Mitchell, though the bequest of her home, Pinecraig, now on the National Register of Historic Places and its carriage house, along with 212 acres of her family's land established places of community gathering, education and medicine, and influenced the lives of hundreds of thousands of residents with her gift; and

WHEREAS, the Naperville Heritage Society is the keeper of the collective story of our community, and has devoted more than 50 years of time, talent and resources to preserving and sharing the stories of women who have built and strengthened our community; and

WHEREAS, women in Naperville have achieved excellence in all fields and played pivotal roles in the development of community amenities and assets such as Centennial Beach, the DuPage Children's Museum, Illinois Prairie Path, Naperville's Municipal Center, North Central College and Naper Settlement; and

WHEREAS, the women of Naperville play a role in policymaking and leadership, striving to foster equity, celebrate diversity, and promote dialogue and understanding, we express our gratitude for the efforts of women in our community and acknowledge the unique challenges women have faced throughout American history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Chirico, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby recognize Naper Settlement as a significant place of women's history and proclaim August 26, 2020 as

NAPERVILLE'S HERSTORY DAY
in celebration of women and their contributions to our City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 18 day of August, 2020.



Steve Chirico, Mayor

