## ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NAPERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE TO MODIFY ANY AND ALL MASCULINE AND/OR FEMININE LANGUAGE TO GENDER NEUTRAL PRONOUNS

**WHEREAS,** the City of Naperville Municipal Code contains mostly masculine pronouns; and

WHEREAS, all genders are created equal; and

**WHEREAS,** amending the Naperville Municipal Code to include gender-neutral pronouns by eliminating any gender preference language within the Naperville Municipal Code will promote equality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPERVILLE, DUPAGE AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, in exercise of its home rule authority as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The recitals and findings contained in the preamble to this ordinance are adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this section.

**SECTION 2.** The pronouns throughout the Naperville Municipal Code are amended to promote gender-neutral pronouns.

**SECTION 3.** Subject to final approval by the City Council, Municode has authority to degenderize the City of Naperville Municipal Code and update pronouns when appropriate, which authority includes the updating of future ordinances, by making changes such as the following:

**SECTION 4**: If any section, paragraph, or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, or provision, shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance or any other City ordinance, resolution, or provision of the Naperville Municipal Code.

	<b>SECTION 5</b> : This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and			
approval.				
	ADOPTED this	day of		2022.
	AYES:			
	APPROVED this	day of		_, 2022.
			Steve Chiric Mayor	0
ATTE	ST:		Mayor	
	Grace Michalak Records Clerk			