

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

**PROCLAMATION**

**HONORING THE NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE WOMEN'S  
TRIATHLON TEAM, 100 YEARS OF WOMEN'S SPORTS AT  
NORTH CENTRAL, AND THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF TITLE IX**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Naperville honors the North Central College women's triathlon team for its 2022 USA Triathlon Collegiate National Championship, the fourth such championship in program history; and

**WHEREAS,** Sophomore Hailey Poe captured her second consecutive individual national title and teammate Bethany Smeed was honored as the Division III Freshman of the Year; and

**WHEREAS,** North Central celebrates 100 years of women's athletics on its campus while commemorating 50 years since the passage of Title IX, which guaranteed equal access to collegiate athletics; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Naperville applauds North Central and its triathlon program for being a model of excellence in women's athletics, and for bringing pride and recognition to our city.

**THEREFORE,** I, Steve Chirico, Mayor of the City of Naperville, hereby present this proclamation to

**COACH AVERI LEWIS AND THE NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE CARDINALS**  
**In celebration of their 2022 National Championship**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 7th day of March 2023.



*Steve Chirico*

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Steve Chirico, Mayor