

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
PROCLAMATION

**HONORING NOKIA BELL LABS CENTENNIAL
APRIL 23, 2025**

WHEREAS, Nokia Bell Labs has been a technology powerhouse, a center of endless innovation for a century and a mainstay in Naperville since 1966; and

WHEREAS, winning 10 Nobel Prizes, 3 Emmys, 2 Grammys, 1 Oscar, 5 Turing Awards, 14 US National Medals of Science, 12 US National Medals of Technology & Innovation, and many more awards; and

WHEREAS, revolutionizing the way humans live and work with the transistor, the solar cell, the laser, the charge-coupled device (CCD), the communications satellite, the UNIX operating system, the C/C++ programming language, and more including over 33,000 patents; and

WHEREAS, In Naperville, invented and built the 1AESS, 2ESS, 2BESS, 3ESS, 4ESS, and 5ESS toll and local switches, Autoplex – our first cellular network system, the IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) powering today's global IP communications network, and more; and

WHEREAS, was pivotal in the transformation of Naperville from a small town outside Chicago into a vibrant, modern city that is consistently ranked in the top 5 as the best in the nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Wehrli, Mayor of the City of Naperville, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2025, as Nokia Bell Labs Centennial Celebration Day in the City of Naperville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Naperville this 15th day of April 2025.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Wehrli", is written over a horizontal line.

Scott Wehrli, Mayor