

# Proclamation

## 2022 Parade Marshal - Ron Mentzer

**WHEREAS,** Ron Mentzer is the Community and Economic Development Director for the City of Warrenville, where he has worked for over 27 years; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron led the City's efforts to redevelop the quarry into the world-class, mixed-use Cantera Development, including work to attain the interchange at I-88 and Winfield Road; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron was instrumental in guiding the acquisition, remediation, and redevelopment of the former Musselman Lumber Company into the 27-unit, single family neighborhood of Stafford Place Subdivision; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron was a key local team member for the design and development of the Warrenville Park District's Recreation Center, Hubble Middle School, the Warrenville Police Department headquarters, Warrenville City Hall and the Public Works facility, and the expansion of the Warrenville Public Library; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron led the City's efforts to establish and administer the Old Town/Civic Center and Southwest/Route 59 Corridor Tax Increment Finance Districts (TIFs), and was instrumental in the closure of the Cantera and Old Town Center TIFs; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron led the City's efforts for the redesign of the Route 56 Expansion Project to be sensitive to local concerns and design expectations, which led to a grant that paid for much of the streetscape enhancements; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron's leadership has been integral to DuPage River flood mitigation and trail improvements through many developments and redevelopments, including the former Citgo Property; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron has worked with his wife Lisa to build their "forever home," and raising four great sons in Warrenville; and

**WHEREAS,** Former Mayor Vivian Lund has been a hero to Ron, due to her grit, persistence, and hard work, helping lead the City's incorporation in 1967 and making the Cantera Development happen; and

**WHEREAS,** Ron Mentzer's passion for the future of the City of Warrenville deems him a HERO in our eyes, and we celebrate Ron Mentzer with this great honor.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, David L. Brummel, Mayor of the City of Warrenville, proclaim Ron Mentzer as Parade Marshal for the Independence Day Parade on July 3, 2022, and call upon all citizens to join in this festive celebration.

**GIVEN,** under my hand and seal of the City of Warrenville, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

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*David L. Brummel*  
Mayor