



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Leah Hayes is a student athlete who resides with her family in Sugar Grove and attends Kaneland High School, and

WHEREAS, Leah is a swimmer with the Fox Valley Park District Riptides who earned her first five (5) national age group records in 2016 in the 50, 100 & 200 Meter Freestyle, 50 Yard Breast, and 200 Yard Individual Medley, and

WHEREAS, Leah was recognized as the 2018 SportsKid of the Year by Sports Illustrated Kids, and

WHEREAS, Leah has achieved numerous Illinois Swimming Age Group Records, two Illinois High School Association State Records, eight National Age Group Records, and recently one World Junior Record becoming the fastest woman (under 18) for the 200M IM in world history.

WHEREAS, in April 2022, Leah participated in the 2022 Phillips 66 International Team Trials finishing 2nd in the 200M IM with a National Age Group record time of 2:09.99, and

WHEREAS, her 2nd place finish qualified Leah to represent Team USA at the 2022 FINA World Championships this past July in Budapest, Hungary, where she went on to win the Bronze Medal, and

WHEREAS, in addition to her athletic achievements, Leah is a member of the National Honor Society, pursues artistic interests and provides private swim lessons.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer Konen, President of the Village of Sugar Grove, and the Village Board do hereby recognize and congratulate Leah Hayes on her tremendous achievements and wish her the best of success in the future.

Dated this 20th, day of September, 2022

President, Jennifer Konen

Trustee, Matthew Bonnie
Trustee, Michael Schomas

Trustee, Sean Herron
Trustee, Ryan Walter

Trustee, Heidi Lendi
Trustee, James F. White