



A PROCLAMATION

BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SMYRNA

In Recognition of Georgia Blind Sports Association USABA Southeast Regional Goalball Tournament May 20 – 22, 2022

Whereas: Georgia Blind Sports Association is an affiliate of The United States Association of Blind Athletes (USABA), the governing body for USA goalball, a paralympic sport; and

Whereas: Georgia Blind Sports Association, founded in 2011, is committed to providing team and recreational opportunities for the blind and visually impaired; and

Whereas: Georgia Blind Sports Association will be hosting the USABA Southeast Regional Goalball Tournament, to include 28 adult teams from around the United States; and,

Whereas: These teams include the twelve members of the USA men's and women's goalball teams, recent participants in the 2020 Paralympic Games in Tokyo, Japan; and

Whereas: The City of Smyrna Community Center will be the site of the Southeast Regional Goalball Tournament, May 20th to May 22nd, 2022; and

Whereas: Over 100 volunteers from the City of Smyrna and surrounding communities will volunteer their time and energy to allow these athletes to compete in the most popular sport for the blind around the world; and

Whereas: The City of Smyrna supports Georgia Blind Sports Association and USA Goalball and the athletes who train and compete as they represent their communities and their country at both the national and international level; Now

Therefore: I, Derek Norton, Mayor of the City of Smyrna, Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 20th thru 22nd as *Georgia Blind Sports Association 2022 Goalball Tournament Days*.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Smyrna to be affixed upon this _____ 16th _____ day of _____ May _____ in the year of Our Lord _____ 2022 _____.

Mayor

Derek Norton