

# PROCLAMATION

*Kallen Esperian Day*  
*May 7, 2023*

*WHEREAS, Kallen Esperian spent her childhood in the heart of Barrington and attended Barrington schools; and*

*WHEREAS, Kallen graduated from Barrington High School and received a full scholarship to study opera at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and*

*WHEREAS, Kallen won the Luciano Pavarotti International Voice Competition in 1985; and*

*WHEREAS, in 1986, Kallen made her operatic debut in Philadelphia as Mimi in La Bohème, playing opposite Luciano Pavarotti and subsequently performing with both Luciano Pavarotti and Placido Domingo in various other roles; and*

*WHEREAS, Kallen received the 1990 Distinguished Graduate Award from Barrington High School; and*

*WHEREAS, Kallen has performed around the globe at some of the most prestigious opera houses in the world; and*

*WHEREAS, Barrington welcomes Kallen back to her hometown and wishes to recognize her many accomplishments.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Darch, President of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, do hereby proclaim **May 7, 2023**, as **KALLEN ESPERIAN DAY** in the Village of Barrington, and extend our congratulations, admiration, and appreciation to Kallen for her success and the acclaim she has brought to her hometown.*

*Dated this 24th day of April, 2023*



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Karen Darch  
Village President