



Recognition

Whereas, the Washington Community High School Varsity Soccer Team has completed an extraordinary and historic season, demonstrating exceptional athleticism, teamwork, and dedication; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Head Coach Chad Clift and Assistant Coaches Clint Gilbert and Daniel Sinclair, the team exemplified discipline, perseverance, and commitment to excellence both on and off the field; and

Whereas, the 2025 Varsity Soccer Team established several new school records including achieving 29 wins and 22 shutouts in a season—numbers that also ranks tied for 2nd all-time in IHSA history, as well as scoring 133 goals, setting a new school record for most goals in a season; and

Whereas, individual athletes also achieved historic milestones, including John Clift, who set school records for most assists in a season (29), most assists in a career (45), and most assists in a match (5); and

Whereas, goalkeeper Oliver Wettstein recorded 22 shutouts, establishing the school record for most shutouts in a season and contributing to the team’s dominant defensive performance; and

Whereas, the team also set the school record for most consecutive shutouts in a season with 7 straight, demonstrating outstanding defensive unity and discipline; and

Whereas, these achievements have brought pride and recognition to Washington Community High School and to the entire Washington community, serving as an example of sportsmanship, determination, and school spirit;

Now, therefore, I, Lilija V. Stevens, Mayor of the City of Washington, Illinois, do hereby recognize and commend the Washington Community High School Varsity Soccer Team, its coaches, and student-athletes for their historic, record-breaking season and extend our sincere congratulations on their outstanding accomplishments.

Recognized this 1st day of December, 2025

Lilija V. Stevens, Mayor

ATTEST: Valeri L. Brod, City Clerk