

*Proclamation*  
*By Mayor and Council - Township of North Brunswick*

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services presents the Scholar/Athlete/Artist Award to North Brunswick students encouraging excellence in Academics, Arts and Athletics; and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** Guadagnino has been selected as Scholar / Athlete / Artist for the month of May 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** is a Junior at North Brunswick Township High School where she is enrolled in Honors and Advance Placement classes. She has been inducted into the National Honor Society and National Italian Honors. Samantha attended Judd Elementary School, Linwood and the New Middle School where she was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society, as well as being the first Vice President of the first graduating class. She also was a student athlete who played Soccer and Lacrosse. She has been a participant at the Municipal Alliance Leadership Conference in 2023. Samantha is on the Student Government Executive Board and is a leader in PUSH (Prevention Using Student Help); and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** swam in her first meet at the age of four and has been swimming for both the Riptide Swim Team and Brookside for over a decade. She started playing soccer at the age of four with the North Brunswick Recreation Soccer and continued with the North Brunswick Girl's Travel Team for many years until high school, where she is now the captain of the Soccer Team. She is a three - sport athlete at North Brunswick Township High School in the sports of Soccer, Swimming and Lacrosse, earning a varsity letter every season since her Freshman year. She has been honored to receive ALL GMC Division and ALL GMC County award for swim for the past three years which makes her one of the top swimmers in Middlesex County. The Swim Team has won the GMC Spirit Award for the last three years. She was a member of the Lacrosse Team that won the GMC County's her Freshman year and Samantha is captain of the Raritan Valley YMCA Swim Team and has earned many awards over the years. She has qualified and competed in the Sunkissed National Swim Meet in North Carolina since she was eleven - years old (except for the COVID years); and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** volunteers within the community and works as a lifeguard during the summer. She teaches private swim lessons to children and will be the Assistant Swim Coach at Brookside Swim Club this season. The past few years, Samantha has competed in open water Ocean Swims; and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** loves to travel, spend time at the beach, attend North Brunswick Township Football Games, spend time with family and friends and intends to swim in college; and

**WHEREAS**, **Samantha** is an outstanding role model for her peers and the youth of our community and exemplifies strong character, leadership skills and demonstrates a positive attitude which influences the youth of the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM**, the respect and admiration of the community of North Brunswick to **Samantha Guadagnino** and name her the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, Scholar / Athlete / Artist Award recipient, and wish her continued success in the future.

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Francis M. Womack III  
Mayor

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Mary Hutchinson  
Council President

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Lisa Russo, Township Clerk  
May 6, 2024

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Lou Ann Benson  
Director,  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services