

PROCLAMATION
Honoring the University of Michigan's Men's Basketball Team
2026 NCAA National Champions

WHEREAS, the University of Michigan Men's Basketball Team, under the exceptional leadership of Coach Dusty May, completed an outstanding 2025-2026 season defined by excellence, resilience, and teamwork; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Wolverines won the Big Ten regular season title with a 19-1 conference record, and on April 6, 2026, the Michigan Wolverines defeated the University of Connecticut Huskies 69-63 to claim the 2026 NCAA Men's Basketball National Championship; and

WHEREAS, this victory marks the University of Michigan's second NCAA National Championship and it's first since 1989; and

WHEREAS, the Wolverines demonstrated exceptional skill, determination, and defensive excellence throughout the NCAA Tournament, earning national recognition; and

WHEREAS, Most Outstanding Player Elliot Cadeau demonstrated that he is the top point guard in the land, and Yaxel Lendeborg modeled extraordinary selflessness and leadership by playing through pain and injury; and

WHEREAS, Ann Arbor is deeply proud of the University of Michigan's place in our community as an anchor institution, and the Wolverines' national championship brings tremendous joy, pride, and distinction to the Ann Arbor community; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of this team serve as an inspiration for young people throughout our community and region, demonstrating that dedication, teamwork, trust, and belief in one another can lead to extraordinary achievement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, do hereby proclaim April 11, 2026, as Michigan Wolverines National Champions Day. I recognize and commend the 2025-2026 University of Michigan Men's Basketball team, coaches, and staff on this exceptional accomplishment. I call upon all community members to join in celebrating this historic achievement and expressing appreciation for the excellence, character, and pride these Wolverines have brought to Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan.



*I hereby set my hand and seal
this 11th day of April 2026*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Christopher Taylor", is written over a horizontal line.

*Christopher Taylor
Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor*