

**PROCLAMATION TO CELEBRATE
TROY HIGH STUDENT NIKHIL MUDALIAR
ON BEING SELECTED AND PLAYING IN THE
U15 USA CRICKET 2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

WHEREAS, Nikhil Mudaliar, a junior at Troy High School, was selected to play at the U15 USA Cricket 2023 National Championship at Rydal, GA from September 1-4, 2023. The competition involves the best young cricketers from their age group in the country. **Nikhil's** performance placed him first as a wicket-keeper batter nationally, number three for best batter, and tied for number one for wicket-keeper; and

WHEREAS, USA Cricket is representative cricket, where players go through a rigorous selection process. The process, involving six hub matches followed by six zonal matches, lasted from late April to mid-August to achieve this feat. **Nikhil** was selected for the national competition for his second consecutive year; and

WHEREAS, Hub-level matches were the first step towards reaching the national championship. The Midwest zone comprised 11 states in which USA Cricket created four hub groups. **Nikhil** competed in the Eastern Midwest Hub which contained teams from Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana. Troy-based, Michigan Youth Cricket Academy, **Nikhil's** team, won five out of six games and went on to win the Championship for the hub. During the hub-level matches, He earned the title of best batter and best wicket-keeper by scoring 238 runs at an average of 47.65 and taking 12 keeper dismissals; and

WHEREAS, With this stellar performance, **Nikhil** was appointed as captain of the Eastern Midwest Hub for zonal level matches. The zonal level consisted of four teams, each one represented by the best players from their hub. Yet again, **Nikhil** excelled through the competition and once more, was titled as best batter for his 163 runs. These distinguishing factors allowed **Nikhil**, the only player from Michigan to be selected, to attain the opportunity to compete for the Midwest Zone at USA Cricket's U15 National Championship; and

WHEREAS, In addition to this achievement, **Nikhil** has been promoting cricket in the community by establishing a Cricket Club at Troy High School. He planned and organized an inter-school competition with teams from various parts of the state. **Nikhil** has also coached the Under-11 age group since his freshman year. His commitment and service to the cricket community are unmatched and inspiring for aspiring young cricketers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy hereby congratulate **Nikhil Mudaliar** on his accomplishment in being selected to play at the U15 USA Cricket 2023 National Championship at Rydal, GA from September 1-4, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy invite all residents to celebrate **Nikhil Mudaliar's** achievement, wish him much success in all future endeavors, and thank him for being a great role model for our community and exceptional advocate for the sport of cricket.

Presented this 29th day of January 2024