



Denis Law Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas, the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

Whereas, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the City of Renton and its Community Services Department; and

Whereas, parks and recreation are important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of this community and region; and

Whereas, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

Whereas, parks, trails, and the urban forestry program increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

Whereas, participation in recreation classes, hikes, events, sports, and swimming programs builds friendships, teamwork, and opportunities to contribute to society; and

Whereas, parks and natural recreation areas improve air and water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and

Whereas, Renton parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors;

Now, therefore, I, Denis Law, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim July 2019 to be

Parks and Recreation Month

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all members of the community to join me in this special observation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 8th day of July, 2019.

Denis Law, Mayor
City of Renton, Washington

