

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association has celebrated the month of July as National Parks and Recreation Month since 1985; and our own Parks and Recreation Department has served Greensboro since 1933;

WHEREAS, during this time, the Parks and Recreation Department has established itself as both an integral, trusted part of the Greensboro community, and as an industry leader in being innovative, collaborative, and efficient towards meeting community needs;

WHEREAS, parks and recreational programs and amenities are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in Greensboro, ensures the health of all citizens, and contributes to the economic and environmental well-being of the community and region;

WHEREAS, through the support of the City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, community partners and dedicated professionals, the Parks and Recreation Department provides progressive leadership, and develops strong partnerships with public and private organizations to literally and figuratively change the landscape of Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has been recognized nationally for best practice in terms of business operations and programming, and many of their team members are considered subject matter experts in the field, presenting at state and national conferences;

WHEREAS, through its adopted 20-year comprehensive master plan, Plan2Play, the Parks and Recreation Department has committed to a vision that will enhance and expand parks, facilities, and programs; and through its services further connect all generations and neighborhoods within Greensboro;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

1. That it recognizes each and every July as Parks and Recreation Month in the City of Greensboro.
2. That it expresses its support for the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department, its staff, and their vision and role for creating transformational recreation experiences that improve the quality of life and contribute to the economic viability of Greensboro.