

Proclamation



“Parks and Recreation Month”

July 2017

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the City of North Port; and

WHEREAS our parks and recreation are vitally 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 a 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 and recreation programs 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 parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

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

WHEREAS our 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; and

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

WHEREAS the City of North Port recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources; and

NOW THEREFORE, WE, the City Commission of the City of North Port do hereby proclaim the month of July 2017 as:

“Parks and Recreation Month”

and encourage all residents to visit City Parks, participate in recreation programs and explore many of the City of North Port’s natural amenities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Patsy C. Adkins, MMC
City Clerk

Linda M. Yates, Mayor

Vanessa Carusone, Vice-Mayor

Christopher B. Hanks, Commissioner

Gisele Luke, Commissioner

Debbie McDowell, Commissioner