Proclamation
Parks & Recreation Month
July 2021

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation programs make up an integral part of communities throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, they are vital in establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our city, contributing to its economic and environmental well-being, and ensuring the health of all inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation provides opportunities for young people to grow into contributing members of society, and creates enriching experiences for seniors; and

WHEREAS, their varied and inclusive activities promote lifestyles that aid in the prevention of chronic diseases, and offer therapeutic recreation for those who are mentally or physically disabled; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation contributes to the community's economic prosperity through increased property values and tourism, expansion of the local tax base, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS, our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our city and serve as places for everyone to connect with nature and enjoy outdoor activities; and

WHEREAS, it is important to acknowledge the vital contributions made by teammates and volunteers across our Parks and Community Services Department; and

WHEREAS, these contributions range from keeping the parks clean and safe for visitors, organizing activities for people of all ages, providing educational programming on health and nutrition, and advocating for increased open space and improved trails.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jimmy Dutra, Mayor of the City of Watsonville, in the State of California, on behalf of the City Council hereby declare July 2021 Parks & Recreation Month in the City of Watsonville and recognize the excellent work being done by all staff and volunteers in the department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Watsonville to be affixed this 6th day of July, Two thousand and twenty one.

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Jimmy Dutra, Mayor

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