



Proclamation

National Kids to Parks Day May 20, 2023

TO THE CITIZENS OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, May 20th is the Thirteenth National Kids to Parks Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and

WHEREAS, it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks because of the decline in Park attendance over the last decades; and

WHEREAS, we should encourage children to lead a more active lifestyle to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors; and

THEREFORE, I Jim Benage, Mayor, do hereby proclaim May 20th as National Kids to Parks Day in Bel Aire and urge residents of Bel Aire to make time on this day to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state or national park.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Bel Aire, Kansas this 16th day of May, 2023.

Jim Benage, Mayor

