



CITY OF
FORESTPARK

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Across the United States, parks and recreation serve an integral role when it comes to promoting the importance of health and wellness, encouraging physical activity, and maintaining dedicated, safe spaces where both children and adults of all ages have the ability to connect with nature, and;

WHEREAS: According to a report by the National Recreation and Park Association, studies have shown that parks and recreation help stimulate economic growth by expanding tourism, attracting and retaining local businesses, increasing property values and reducing crime, and;

WHEREAS: The City of Forest Park's Recreation and Leisure Services Department offers a wide range of accessible recreational activities and programs that focus on families, youth development, adults, seniors and building healthy communities, and;

WHEREAS: In 2022, the City's Recreation and Leisure Services Department was recognized statewide by the Georgia Recreation & Parks Association after receiving the Outstanding Program Award for its Ultimate Tailgate Experience event; and;

WHEREAS: The City's Recreation and Leisure Services remains committed to strengthening the foundation of the city and improving the quality of life for all residents, while also providing affordable physical, sporting and cultural ventures for all our constituents to enjoy – regardless of their socio-economic status.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Forest Park City Council hereby recognizes the month of July as National Park and Recreation Month and commends the exceptional efforts and continuing dedication of the City's Recreation and Leisure Services Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand on this 7th day of August 2023 and have caused the Official Seal of the great City of Forest Park to be affixed hereto:

Angelyne Butler, MPA
Mayor

Councilmember Kimberly James
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