PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, parks and recreation are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the City of Madeira Beach; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation promote health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation promote time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation encourage physical activities by providing space for popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools, and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation are a leading provider of healthy meals, nutrition services, and education; and

WHEREAS, park and recreation programming and education activities, such as out-of-school time programming, youth sports, and environmental education, are critical to childhood development; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation 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 are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation are essential and adaptable infrastructure that make our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; 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 Madeira Beach recognizes the benefits of parks and recreation resources.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor of the City of Madeira Beach, Florida, do hereby recognize July 2025 as

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Madeira Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 9th day of July 2025.



Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor City of Madeira Beach