

Proclamation Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

Park and Recreation Month July 2023

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Mukilteo; 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 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 City of Mukilteo is ably served by employees in our Recreation and Public Works Departments, who provide recreational opportunities for residents of all ages and ensure that our parks and facilities are clean and well-maintained.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Marine, Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, recognize the importance of our parks and recreation programs in our community and proclaim July 2023 as *Parks and Recreation Month.*

Signed this 17th Day of July, 2023

Joe Marine

Mayor