



PARK & RECREATION MONTH PROCLAMATION - JULY 2021

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the Town of Erie; 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; 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 natural recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community, improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, produce habitat for wildlife, and ensure the ecological beauty of our community while providing a place for children and adults to connect with nature; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Erie recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jennifer Carroll, of The Town of Erie do hereby proclaim July 2021 to be Park & Recreation Month.

DATED THIS 22nd DAY OF June, 2021

Jennifer Carroll, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heidi Leatherwood, Town Clerk