

THE CITY OF FARGO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Parks and recreation are an integral part of communities throughout the country, including Fargo; 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, positively impacting mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses; 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 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 makes our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; and

WHEREAS, Fargo's parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of the community and provide a place 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 Fargo recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Dr. Timothy J. Mahoney, Mayor of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 2024 to be

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

in the City of Fargo and encourage all citizens to participate in its observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of The City of Fargo, North Dakota to be affixed this 1st day of July, 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Timothy J. Mahoney", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Timothy J. Mahoney
Mayor
Fargo, North Dakota