



## Legislation Text

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### A Resolution Designating July as National Park and Recreation Month

**Presenter:**

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**Summary:**

To highlight the breadth and depth of the Colorado Springs parks system, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is asking City Council to recognize July as National Park and Recreation Month. This year's theme - "Where Community Grows" - celebrates the vital role park and recreation professionals play in bringing people together, providing essential services and fostering the growth of our communities.

Parks and recreation professionals make a positive impact on the lives of our community members every single day. The services that park and recreation professionals provide are vital for our communities - from protecting open spaces and natural resources to helping fight obesity and providing activities and resources for all people. Park and Recreation Month encourages everyone to reflect on the exponential value park and recreation professionals bring to communities.

**Background:**

Since 1985, people in the United States have celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation and to recognize the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation professionals - along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers - that maintain our country's local, community and state parks.

This item supports the City's strategic goal relating to building community and collaborative relationships by increasing the community's awareness of the offerings and services provided by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department.

**Previous Council Action:**

N/A

**Financial Implications:**

N/A

**City Council Appointed Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:**

N/A

**Stakeholder Process:**

N/A

**Alternatives:**

City Council may opt to not designate July as Park and Recreation Month.

**Proposed Motion:**

Move approval of the resolution to designate July as Park and Recreation Month.

N/A