



Redmond
WASHINGTON

PROCLAMATION

Connected Community
Enhanced Livability
Environmental Sustainability

- WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives and the National Recreation and Park Association have designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond's parks, trails, and community spaces serve as essential public infrastructure where residents of all ages, incomes, and abilities can access physical activity, mental restoration, social connection, and a sense of belonging, building resilience and common ground in an increasingly complex world; and
- WHEREAS, the City's Green Redmond program, which has thousands of volunteer hours dedicated to restoring more than 1,000 acres of forested parkland, continues to grow through expanded Forest Steward opportunities and community events; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond is committed to a healthy, sustainable future through our Climate Resiliency and Sustainability in Vegetation Management Plan and our annual Tree Giveaway Program, advancing our goal of 40% urban tree canopy coverage by 2050; and
- WHEREAS, the completion of Redmond Central Connector Phase 3 provides a continuous, accessible trail connection between Downtown Redmond and Kirkland, expanding equitable access to parks and open spaces for all; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond Parks and Recreation Department provides inclusive and dynamic opportunities from sports leagues and day camps, to teen programming and senior activities, guided by a newly completed Recreation Program Plan that ensures our services reflect the long-range needs and priorities of our growing and diverse community; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond is Ready for the World with the World Cup underway in our region, bringing residents and visitors together through watch parties, celebrations, and a permanent legacy installation in Downtown Park; and
- WHEREAS, community events such as Derby Days and Redmond Lights foster belonging and civic pride, while new programming brings even more residents together to celebrate the culture and spirit that make Redmond home; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond is committed to cultural, creative, and economic vibrancy through art education, performances, public art, local artist training, and the new Art Map, helping residents discover over 100 works of public art;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim July 2026 as

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

and encourage all community members to participate in recreational activities and enjoy Redmond's beautiful parks, trails, and public art this summer.

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