

## Connected Community Enhanced Livability Environmental Sustainability

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,	the U.S. House of Representatives and the National Parks and Recreation Association have designated
	July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond's parks, trails, and recreation spaces are vitally important to ensuring the ecological, economic, and social well-being of our community and region, enhancing the quality of life of all residents, and providing a place for all ages and abilities to connect with nature and safely recreate outdoors; and
- WHEREAS, our continued partnership with Green Redmond helps ensure the ongoing well-being of our natural environment; and
- WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities, aid in the prevention of chronic disease, and support the mental, emotional, social, and physical health of all residents; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Redmond Parks and Recreation Department provides recreational opportunities and this summer, specifically, day camps to meet the social, emotional, and recreational needs of its children during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS, the Summers in Redmond initiative creates and enhances safe opportunities for physical and social gathering and the continued growth and vitalization of the Downtown corridor; and
- WHEREAS, our parks, trails, outdoor spaces, cultural arts, events, and continuing design of community center space, including the Redmond Senior and Community Center, will provide for the creation of meaningful experiences and meet the community need for active recreation and gathering spaces that celebrate and welcome everyone in Redmond; and
- WHEREAS, we celebrate those who embody the spirit of parks and recreation and demonstrate a commitment to the vital growth of our community, and we recognize Shelly Bowman and Tanzil Hannah Hussain for their outstanding contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, Washington, do hereby proclaim July 2021 as

## PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

and I encourage community members to participate in their favorite recreational activity and to enjoy our beautiful parks and trails this summer.

Angela Birney, Mayor

<u>July 6, 2021</u>

Date

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