

**Before the Board of County Commissioners
Martin County, Florida**

A Proclamation

Declaring July 2021 as Parks and Recreation Month in Martin County, Florida

- Whereas,** parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Martin County; and
- Whereas,** parks and recreation programs 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 our county; and
- Whereas,** parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; 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 improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development and produce habitat for wildlife; and
- Whereas,** parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to recreate outdoors and connect with nature; and
- Whereas,** the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that July 2021 is Parks and Recreation Month in Martin County, Florida. Further, the Board recognizes the benefits derived from the Parks and Recreation resources, commends the department’s work, and encourages citizens to take advantage of the amenities and programs offered in Martin County.

Presented this Twenty-second Day of June 2021

ATTEST:

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