



Office of the Mayor

P r o c l a m a t i o n

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including The City of Deer Park, TX; and

WHEREAS, our Parks and Recreation enhance health and wellness, improving physical health by encouraging active lifestyles, reducing obesity rates, and lowering the risk of chronic diseases; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation promote time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation encourage physical activities by providing spaces like the Dow Park Pool and Deer Park Hike and Bike Trails, along with facilities for popular sports and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation programming and educational activities, such as the ASAP program, Deer Park Youth Basketball, and partnerships with youth sport leagues are critical to childhood development; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation boost the City of Deer Park's economic prosperity by increasing property values, expanding the local tax base, attracting tourists, retaining businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation is fundamental to the environment 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, our Deer Park Nature Preserve and local parks ensure the ecological beauty of our community offering a vital space for children and adults to connect with nature and enjoy outdoor recreation; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Mayor of City of Deer Park, along with City Council, that July is recognized as Parks and Recreation Month in the City of Deer Park, Texas.

“Parks & Recreation Month”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Deer Park to be affixed hereto this Seventh day of July, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six, A.D.

**Jerry L. Mouton Jr., Mayor
City of Deer Park, Texas**