

## Proclamation

### “Parks and Recreation Month”

July 2024

**Whereas**, Adams County is dedicated to responsibly serving the community with integrity and innovation, offering inclusivity for all families and businesses; and,

**Whereas**, Adams County Parks, Open Space, & Cultural Arts exists to significantly enhance quality of life, enrich our communities, and inspire; and,

**Whereas**, Parks and Recreation is an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Adams County; and,

**Whereas**, Parks and Recreation promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people in our communities. These spaces 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 programming are critical to a community’s economic prosperity through increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and,

**Whereas**, Parks and Recreation is fundamental to the environment well-being of our community, and is essential and adaptable infrastructure that makes our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; and,

**Whereas**, our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and,

**Whereas**, Parks and Recreation increases 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**, The U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and,

**Whereas**, Adams County recognizes the benefits derived from Parks and Recreation, and recognizes July 19, 2024 as the National Park and Recreation Professional Day.

**Now, Therefore, be it Resolved**, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims the month of July as

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with special recognition and appreciation for the Parks, Open Space and Cultural Arts Team who plans, manages, and maintains our parks, open space, and art installations. We urge all residents to celebrate the achievements of this outstanding team and promote the importance of public recreation spaces and the natural beauty of our communities and our nation.

*In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed July 16, 2024.*