

Proclamation



WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs enhance our quality of life by contributing to a healthy lifestyle, increasing communication skills, building self esteem, teaching life skills and providing places for enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs boost the economy, enhance property values, attract new business, increase tourism and reduce crime; and

WHEREAS, recreation builds family unity, strengthens neighborhood involvement, offers opportunity for social interaction, enhances education, develops creativity, and promotes cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, our parks and trails ensure ecological beauty, provide space to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water and preserve plant and animal wildlife; and

WHEREAS, recreation, therapeutic recreation and leisure education are essential to the rehabilitation of individuals who have been ill or disabled; and

WHEREAS, during the 2009-2010 fiscal year more than 20.1 million people visited Florida's 160 state parks, contributing more than \$800 million to Florida's economy and generating more than 16,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, Florida recognizes the benefits derived from quality public and private recreation and park resources at the local and state level; and

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association and the Florida Recreation and Park Association designated July as Parks and Recreation Month;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing July 2011 as "Parks and Recreation Month" in the City of Pompano Beach, Florida.

DONE, this 28th day of June, 2011.


LAMAR FISHER
MAYOR

