



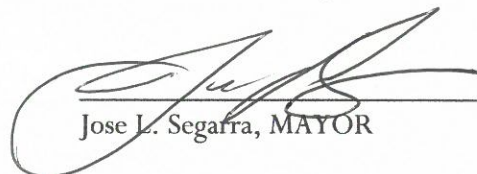
City of Killeen

- WHEREAS** Quality of life is a key indicator of community health and a leading factor when families choose where to live and businesses choose where to locate; and
- WHEREAS** Since 1985, the United States has celebrated July as National Park and Recreation Month to recognize the significant impact parks and recreation activities have on communities across the country and on society; and
- WHEREAS** Parks and recreation activities are vital to quality of life because of the role they play in the health of our residents, the health of our environment and the health of our economy; and
- WHEREAS** Parks and recreation programs directly impact the health of our citizens by providing access to amenities and activities that encourage an active lifestyle, one which is proven to aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic relief for those who are disabled and improve mental and emotional health; and
- WHEREAS** Parks and natural recreation areas are integral to environmental health because they not only beautify our city but also improve water quality, air quality, wildlife habitats and green spaces; and
- WHEREAS** Parks and recreation programs increase economic health through increasing property values, expanding the local tax base, increasing tourism and the attracting and retaining businesses; and
- WHEREAS** Killeen joins in celebrating this month to remind our citizens of our incredible parks, playgrounds, hike and bike trails, water park and pools, athletic fields and courts, golf course, fitness center, senior centers, recreation centers, dog park and all of the recreation programs that serve our community year-round.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jose L. Segarra, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Killeen do hereby proclaim the month of July 2019 as:

Park & Recreation Month

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Killeen to be affixed this 25th day of June, 2019.



Jose L. Segarra, MAYOR