

City of Killeen

WHEREAS Parks and recreation programs are an integral part of the quality of life in Killeen and are vitally important to the health of our residents, the health of our environment and the health of our economy; and

WHEREAS Parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS Parks and natural recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental wellbeing of our community by improving water quality, protecting groundwater, preventing flooding, improving the quality of the air we breathe, providing vegetative buffers to development, and producing habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS Parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism and the attraction and retention of business; and

WHEREAS Our 18 parks, hike and bike trails, amphitheatre, water park and pools, athletic fields, skate parks, golf course, fitness center, senior centers, recreation centers, dog park and more have earned Killeen national recognition as a Playful City USA and Tree City USA for eight consecutive years.

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 2016 as:

Parks of Recreation Month

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Killeen to be affixed this 1st day of July, 2016.

Jose L. Segarra, MAYOR