# **Agenda Report**

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940



#### Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.3. 7/8/2025

## **Subject:**

Resolution acknowledging July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month and Friday, July 18, 2025 as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day (District 4)

## **Fiscal Impact:**

There will be no impact to the General Fund

## **Dept/Office:**

Parks and Recreation Department

## **Requested Action:**

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve a Resolution recognizing July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month and Friday, July 18, 2025 as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day.

## **Summary Explanation and Background:**

Per the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), 2025 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> annual Parks and Recreation Month. According to their 2024 *Engagement With Parks Report*, people place a high value on the programs and services that park and recreation agencies deliver to their local communities every day, and strongly support their mission. The report states that ninety-three percent of U.S. adults say their mental health is improved by these services and local park and recreation agencies provide spaces, programs, and services that are essential to a community's vitality. They also serve as key factors in advancing health equity, improving individual and community-level health outcomes, and enhancing quality of life.

In Brevard, for Fiscal Year 2024 (October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024):

- More than 1.4 million people (duplicated) attended programs, activities, or educational opportunities sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department (P&R) including at the Environmentally Endangered Lands sanctuaries,
- Recreation Partners and Instructors registered 95,966 individuals (duplicated) for their programs in P&R facilities and reported more than 1.1 million in attendance,
- 1,946 children participated in youth camps and accounted for 43,606 attendance days,
- 20,599 reservations were made across three campgrounds (Manatee Hammock, Wickham Park, and Long Point Campgrounds) totaling 54,795 stays,
- The Adaptive Recreation Program served 949 individuals, and
- 9,953 reservations were made for facility rentals.

Staff representing the Parks and Recreation Department will accept the Resolution.

## Clerk to the Board Instructions:

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July 9, 2025

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: lan Golden, Parks and Recreation Director

RE: Item E.3., Resolution Acknowledging July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month and Friday, July 18, 2025, as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 8, 2025, adopted Resolution No. 25-052, recognizing July 2025, as Parks and Recreation Month and Friday, July 18, 2025, as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Resolution

WHEREAS, PARKS AND RECREATION serves as an integral part of our community through the promotion of health and wellness, encouraging active lifestyles, improving mental health, and is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, PARKS AND RECREATION programming and education activities, such as afterschool programming and day camps, youth sports, and environmental education, are critical to childhood development, help cultivate lifelong friendships, and create memories and community bonds that people hold dear decades later; and

**WHEREAS,** parks, natural recreation areas, and Environmentally Endangered Lands sanctuaries ensure the ecological beauty of the community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives has designed July as PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH, and the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) recognizes this July as the 40<sup>th</sup> annual PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH and will celebrate Parks and Recreation Professionals Day on Friday, July 18; and

**WHEREAS,** this year's theme, "Build Together, Play Together" is a reminder of the contributions of more than 160,000 full-time and recreation professionals, along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers, who maintain the Country's close-to-home parks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby recognizes July 2025 and Friday, July 18, 2025, as

# PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH AND PARKS AND RECREACTION PROFESSIONALS DAY

**DONE, ORDERED, AND ADOPTED**, in regular session this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

ATTEST:

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RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

ROB FELTNER, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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- A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JULY 2025 AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH, AND FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2025, AS PARKS AND RECREATION PROFESSIONALS DAY.
- WHEREAS, parks and recreation serves as an integral part of our community through the promotion of health and wellness, encouraging active lifestyles, improving mental health, and is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and
- WHEREAS, parks and recreation programming and education activities, such as afterschool programming and day camps, youth sports, and environmental education, are critical to childhood development, help cultivate lifelong friendships, and create memories and community bonds that people hold dear decades later; and
- WHEREAS, our parks, natural recreation areas, and Environmentally Endangered Lands sanctuaries ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and
- WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month, and the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) recognizes this July as the 40th annual Parks and Recreation Month and will celebrate Parks and Recreation Professionals Day on Friday, July 18; and
- **WHEREAS**, this year's theme, "Build Together, Play Together" is a reminder of the contributions of more than 160,000 full-time parks and recreation professionals along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers who maintain our country's close-to-home parks.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners hereby recognizes July 2025 as **Parks and Recreation Month**, and Friday, July 18, 2025, as **Parks and Recreation Professionals Day.** 

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 8th day of July 2025.

	ROB FELTNER, CHAIRMAN
	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
	BREVARD COUNTY, FL
ATTEST:	
RACHEL SADOFF, CLERK	