



*Office of the Mayor
City of Tukwila, Washington*

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, public parks and recreation systems are an integral part of enhancing the quality of life for communities through recreation programming, leisure activities, and conservation efforts; and

WHEREAS, parks, recreation activities, events, and leisure experiences provide opportunities for young people to live, grow, and develop into contributing members of society; create lifelines and continuous life experiences for older members of the community; and improve the physical, mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, a parks and recreation system increases a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

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

WHEREAS, the city of Tukwila recognizes the vital contributions made by staff and volunteers in parks and recreation facilities who keep public parks clean and safe, organize activities for all ages, provide programming on health, nutrition, and advocate for open space and trails; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation supports a safe, inviting, and healthy environment for our residents, businesses and guests.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jim Haggerton, Mayor of the City of Tukwila, do hereby proclaim July 2014:

Parks and Recreation Month

in the City of Tukwila and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing this special observance.

Presented at the City Council meeting this 7th day of July, 2014.



Jim Haggerton, Mayor