



EL PASO COUNTY  
STATE OF TEXAS

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RESOLUTION



*WHEREAS parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the County of El Paso; and*

*WHEREAS parks and recreation promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and*

*WHEREAS parks and recreation promotes time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and*

*WHEREAS parks and recreation encourages physical activities by providing space for popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and*

*WHEREAS parks and recreation is a leading provider of healthy meals, nutrition services and education; and*

*WHEREAS park and recreation programming and education activities, such as out of-school time programming, youth sports and environmental education, are critical to childhood development; and*

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

*WHEREAS parks and recreation is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and*

*WHEREAS parks and recreation is essential and adaptable infrastructure that makes our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; and*

*WHEREAS our parks and natural recreation areas 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*

*WHEREAS the County recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court that the Month of July 2022 is recognized as:*

***“Park and Recreation Month in the County of El Paso, Texas”***

*SIGNED, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022*

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*Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1*

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*Commissioner David Stout, Pct. 2*

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*Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3*

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*Commissioner Carl Robinson, Pct. 4*

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*Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge*