

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH
July 2023

WHEREAS, parks and recreation is an integral part of communities throughout this country, including San Luis, Arizona 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 Alzheimers; 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 City of San Luis recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nieves Riedel, Mayor of City of San Luis, hereby proclaim July 2023 Parks and Recreation Month in San Luis, Arizona and encourage everyone to visit the Parks and Recreation Department and register for activities, classes and leagues being offered today.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of June 2023.

Nieves Riedel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk