



# PROCLAMATION

## Declaring July 2022 Parks and Recreation Month in Marysville

- WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country including Marysville, promoting health and wellness for residents and visitors; 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 disease; and
- WHEREAS, parks and recreation encourages physical activities by providing space for sports, hiking trails, water sports and other recreational activities that promote active lifestyles; and
- WHEREAS, parks 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 programs increase 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 areas are fundamental to our city's environmental well-being as they improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve air quality, provide vegetative buffers to development, and maintain wildlife habitat; 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

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, do hereby proclaim July 2022 as

### **PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH IN MARYSVILLE.**

I encourage Marysville residents and visitors to recognize and enjoy the benefits of the city's 32 parks and trails along with number cultural and recreational programs, and thank our Parks, Culture and Recreation staff for their hard work throughout the year.

Under my hand and seal this 5th day of July, 2022.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

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*Jon Nehring, Mayor*