PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, park and recreation programs enhance our quality of life by contributing to a healthy lifestyle, increasing communication skills, building self-esteem, teaching life skills, and providing places for entertainment and enjoyment while also boosts our economy, enhances property values, attracts new business, increases tourism, and reduces crime; and

WHEREAS, American landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted professed "the park should complement the town. Openness is the one thing you cannot get in buildings. This is the beauty of a town."; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland Park values the beauty of its City wrapped in 200 acres of open green space divided into twenty parks with amenities that include community centers for programming, athletic fields, pavilions, playgrounds, exercise trails, recreational courts, a boat ramp and a dog park; and

WHEREAS, the new City Park complex will include new basketball courts, a renovated concession stand, covered pavilion, new ADA restrooms, pickleball courts, assessable playground and a splash pad; and

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association and the Florida Recreation and Park Association are celebrating July as Park and Recreation month and recognizes the benefits gained from quality public and private recreation and park resources at the local, state, and federal level.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the Charter hereby authorizes Mayor Michael E. Carn to proclaim the month of July 2022 as

PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, to be affixed this July 20, 2022.

	BY:
	MICHAEL E. CARN, MAYOR
ATTEST	
RE	ENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CITY CLERK