

*STATE OF FLORIDA
CITY OF OAKLAND PARK*

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association and the Florida Recreation and Park Association have designated July as Parks and Recreation Month, honoring the dedication of professionals, volunteers, and advocates who make parks and recreation possible in communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, these individuals provide invaluable services that ensure our parks and recreation programs continue to grow, evolve, and meet the diverse needs of our residents, enriching lives through accessible, high-quality public and private recreational opportunities supported at the local, state, and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 theme, “*The Power of Parks and Recreation and the people who make it all possible*,” reflects the City of Oakland Park’s ongoing commitment to parks and recreation as vital contributors to environmental sustainability, community well-being, and ecological health—preserving green spaces, protecting natural resources, and fostering environmental stewardship through education and responsible practices; and

WHEREAS, the City takes pride in its more than 200 acres of open green space, which feature a variety of recreational amenities, including the ongoing improvements and renovations of Veterans Park, Royal Palm Park, Richard E. Guisti Heart Par Cours, Stevens Field, and the reconstruction of Greenleaf Park at its new location.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the City Charter, does hereby proclaim the month of July 2026 as

PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

in the City of Oakland Park, and encourage all residents to celebrate the essential role parks and recreation play in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, to be affixed this 15th day of July 2026.

BY: _____
STEVEN R. ARNST, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CITY CLERK