

Proclamation

The City of North Miami, Florida

is pleased to issue this proclamation in honor of

Parks and Recreation Month

WHEREAS, public parks and lands provide for the critical "green" infrastructure that collectively enhances both community spaces and wild places making the great State of Florida the best place to live in the country; and

WHEREAS, our parks and recreation are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and region; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease and improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation builds family unity, strengthens neighborhood involvement, offers opportunity for social interaction, enhances education, develops creativity, and promotes cultural diversity; and

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

WHEREAS, parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; 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 city of North Miami recognizes the benefits derived from quality public and private park and natural land resources at the local and regional level; and

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association and the Florida Recreation and Park Association designated July as Park and Recreation Month;

NOW THEREFORE, the city of North Miami hereby proclaims July 2011 as Park and Recreation Month and encourages residents and visitors to enjoy using the parks, trails, programs and special places that enhance the quality of life of our community.

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in the City of North Miami, and urge all citizens to recognize and celebrate Parks and Recreation Month.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of North Miami to be affixed this 12th day of July, 2011.



Andre D. Pierre, Mayor

City of North Miami