

COUNTY OF FAIRFAX , VIRGINIA

Proclamation

WHEREAS, July is National Park and Recreation Month, a time to celebrate Fairfax County's award-winning park system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors created the Park Authority on December 4, 1950, Under a provision of the Virginia Code and since that legislative action the park system has grown from nine parks on 92 acres to more than 400 parks and 23,500 acres; and

WHEREAS, park and recreation programs are vitally important to maintaining a quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all residents and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of the county and region; and

WHEREAS, a vibrant park system increases economic prosperity and property values, tourism and the attraction and retention of businesses; and

WHEREAS, more than 17 million visits a year are made to Fairfax County parks, fields, trails, RECenters and other facilities, providing a place for everyone to connect with nature;
NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County, does hereby proclaim the July 2015, as

Park and Recreation Month

in Fairfax County, congratulates the Fairfax County Park Authority for its 65th anniversary and urges all residents to take advantage of Fairfax County's award-winning park system.

