



## CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

July 6, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: John Szerlag, Acting City Manager  
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SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation

### Background:

- The month of July is designated as Parks and Recreation month by the National Parks and Recreation Association.
- The purpose of this designation is to bring awareness to the benefits of Parks and Recreation.
- Parks and Recreation activities and experiences impact and benefit individuals, the community, environment and economy.

### Financial Considerations:

- There are no financial considerations.

### Legal Considerations:

- There are no legal considerations.

### Policy Considerations:

- There are no policy considerations.

### Options:

- Staff requests acknowledgement by Council recognizing July as Parks and Recreation Month in 2009.

**PROCLAMATION  
PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH  
July 2009**

WHEREAS, Troy Parks and Recreation officially recognizes Parks and Recreation Month in July with a variety of programs and activities that reflect the spirit of outstanding leisure programming that benefit the citizens of Troy;

WHEREAS, Troy Parks and Recreation invites all citizens to celebrate Parks and Recreation Month by participating in a variety of fun summer programs for the entire family;

WHEREAS, We are committed to providing opportunities for people to come together and experience a sense of community through rewarding recreational pursuits with high quality comprehensive programs, parks, facilities and open space;

WHEREAS, Our 14 developed and 12 undeveloped parks and six special facilities serve to offer exercise, sports and special event activities, relaxation and leisure pursuits for all interests;

WHEREAS, Parks and open spaces provide a welcome respite from our fast paced, high-tech lifestyles while simultaneously protecting and preserving our natural environment;

WHEREAS, Troy Parks and Recreation special programs and sports opportunities give young people better chances to live, grow and develop into contributing members of society;

WHEREAS, Troy Parks and Recreation creates lifelines and continued life experiences for older members of our community;

WHEREAS, Parks, playgrounds, nature trails, open spaces and neighborhood sites make our community an attractive and desirable place to live, work, play and visit in a manner that contributes to our ongoing economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, Troy Parks and Recreation touches the lives of individuals, families, groups and the entire community, which positively impacts upon the social, economic, health and environmental quality of our community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **RECOGNIZES** July as Parks and Recreation Month and **ENCOURAGES** all citizens to celebrate healthy, active lifestyles by participating in their choice of recreation and park activities.