



RESOLUTION 18-06
Designation of July as Park and Recreation Month

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including The Town of Holden Beach; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation is 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; enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors by providing exceptional recreational, cultural and educational activities and volunteer opportunities; and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, 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 U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Park and Recreation Month; and

WHEREAS grant funding through US Fish and Wildlife, NC Division of Environmental Quality, and the NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund has been instrumental in offsetting the cost of park construction projects to the Town; and

WHEREAS the Town of Holden Beach recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Holden Beach that July is recognized as Park and Recreation Month in the Town of Holden Beach.

J. Alan Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Finnell, Town Clerk