

City of Sanibel

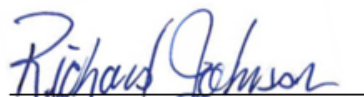
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation is an integral part of communities throughout this country, including The City of Sanibel; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation promotes time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation encourages physical activities by providing space for popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools, and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation programming and education activities, such as out-of-school time programming, youth sports, and environmental education are critical to childhood development; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation increases 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 is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and
- WHEREAS:** Parks and Recreation is essential and adaptable infrastructure that makes our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; 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 Parks and Recreation Month; and
- WHEREAS:** It is most appropriate that we recognize the benefits derived from Parks and Recreation resources and the accomplishments of the Parks and Recreation Department.

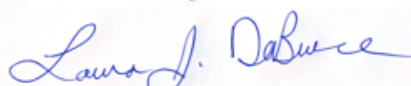
NOW, THEREFORE, We, the City Council of the City of Sanibel, on behalf of the citizens of Sanibel are proud to recognize that July is recognized as Park and Recreation Month in the City of Sanibel.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Sanibel to be affixed hereto.

This 4th day of June 2024


Richard Johnson, Mayor


Mike Miller, Vice Mayor


Laura DeBruce, Councilmember


John Henshaw, Councilmember


Holly D. Smith, Councilmember