



Proclamation

PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER MONTH

July 2023

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation promotes physical, emotional and mental health, and wellness through organized and self-directed fitness, play, and activity; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports the economic vitality of communities by partnering with local businesses and non-profits, and offering events for resident's engagement; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation creates memorable experiences through youth sports and enrichment activities, teen centers and programs, senior activity centers, adult fitness and enrichment programs, free community events, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation fosters social cohesiveness in communities by celebrating diversity, providing spaces to come together peacefully, modeling compassion, promoting social equity, connecting social networks, and ensuring all people have access to its benefits; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports human development and endless learning opportunities that foster social, intellectual, physical, and emotional growth in people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation strengthens community identity by providing facilities and services that reflect and celebrate community character, heritage, culture, history, aesthetics and landscape; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation facilitates community problem and issue resolution by providing safe spaces to come together peacefully and serving as key points of service, helping our communities heal both physically and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports safe, vibrant, attractive, progressive communities that make life better through positive alternatives offered in their recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the California Park & Recreation Society has released a statewide public awareness campaign, "Parks Make Life Better!" to inform citizens of the many benefits of utilizing parks, facilities, programs, and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor of the City of Westminster, on behalf of Vice Mayor NamQuan Nguyen, and Council Members Amy Phan West, Carlos Manzo, and Kimberly Ho do hereby proclaim July 2023 as **PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER MONTH** in the City of Westminster and recognize the importance of access to local parks, trails, open space, and facilities for the health, wellness, development, inspiration, and safety of all residents.

Signed and Dated this 28th day of June 2023 by the City Council.

Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor

NamQuan Nguyen, Vice Mayor, District 4

Amy Phan West, Council Member, District 1

Carlos Manzo, Council Member, District 2

Kimberly Ho, Council Member, District 3