

Amherst County Board of Supervisors County Resolution No. 2019-0008-R

For consideration on June 4, 2019

## A RESOLUTION, NO. 2019-0008-R

A resolution, proclaiming the month of July 2019 as Park and Recreation Month.

Approved as to form by the County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

I. That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby proclaims the month of July 2019 as Park and Recreation Month, as follows:

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Amherst County; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation are 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 our community and region; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, 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 Parks and Recreation Month; and

WHEREAS, Amherst County recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby proclaims the month of July 2019 as Park and Recreation Month, and encourages its citizens to join with their communities in participating in Park and Recreation Month activities.

II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 4th day of June, 2019.

L.J. Ayers III, Chairman

Amherst County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk

Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Ayes 5

Nays Ø

Abstentions \_\_\_\_\_\_