

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013 - 12**

**PROCLAIMING JULY AS NATIONAL PARKS & RECREATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, parks and recreation activities enhance the physical health and mental well-being of individuals, work forces, and communities; and

WHEREAS, participation in recreation programs builds self-esteem and provides positive and constructive alternatives to anti-social behavior; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation opportunities and open space enhance the desirability of communities as locations for business, industry, and residential housing; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation stimulates tourism revenues and the economic development of communities; and

WHEREAS, parks, playgrounds, ball fields, nature trails, open spaces, the Lou Eves Municipal Pool, and the Mason Community Center make the City of Mason community attractive and desirable as a place to live, work, play and visit, and contributes to our ongoing economic vitality, and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation agencies touch the lives of individuals, families, groups, and the entire community which positively impacts the social, economic, health and environmental quality of our community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio hereby designates and proclaims July, 2013 as National Parks & Recreation Month in the City of Mason, Ohio.

Section 2. That citizens are encouraged to take advantage of the many opportunities to participate in parks and recreation programs and enjoy the amenities available through the City of Mason's parks, Lou Eves Municipal Pool and the Mason Community Center.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

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Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk of Council