

**CITY OF NIXA  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI**

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, parks and recreation is an integral part of communities throughout this county, including the City of Nixa. As essential and adaptable infrastructure, parks and recreation make our communities resilient; and

**WHEREAS**, parks and recreation is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community and promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; 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 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**, parks and recreation increases 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 programming and education activities, such as out-of-school time programming, youth sports and environmental education, are critical to childhood development; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Nixa recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Brian Steele, Mayor of the City of Nixa, Missouri, do hereby proclaim July, 2022, as

**"Parks and Recreation Month"**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Nixa, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk