



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports economic vitality by partnering with local businesses, non-profits, and community groups; and

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

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation fosters social cohesiveness by celebrating diversity, promoting social equity, and ensuring all people have access to its benefits; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports human development and countless learning opportunities fostering growth in people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation strengthens community identity by providing facilities and services that celebrate local heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation facilitates community issue resolution by providing safe spaces and key points of service that help our communities heal; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation sustains natural resources by protecting habitats, connecting people to nature, and promoting ecological stewardship; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation remains versatile and innovative in delivering vital facilities and essential services during emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, MAY IT BE RESOLVED that I, Mark Stapp, Mayor of the city of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, recognize the importance of equitable access to local parks, recreation, trails, open space, and facilities for the health, wellness, development, inspiration, and safety for our community, do hereby proclaim July as Parks Make Life Better Month.

PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER MONTH 2026



Mayor Mark Stapp
July 14, 2026