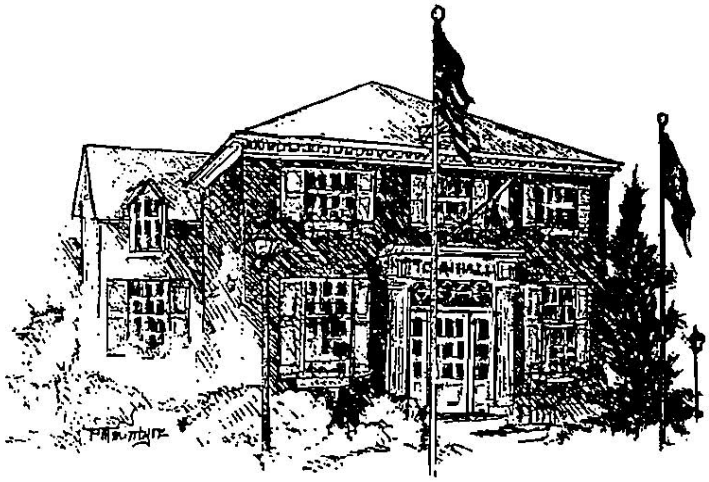

TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA
PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL PARKS & RECREATION MONTH
JULY 2025

Since 1985, the National Recreation and Park Association has recognized July as **National Parks and Recreation Month**, honoring the essential role of parks, recreation programs, and dedicated professionals in communities across the country. This year's theme, "*Build Together, Play Together,*" serves as a reminder of the collective impact of the thousands of full-time, part-time, seasonal, and volunteer workers who care for and operate the parks and programs that bring neighborhoods to life.

Each July, we celebrate park and recreation professionals, who improve the lives of millions of people by making our communities healthier, more vibrant, and more connected. Parks and recreation programs play a vital role in promoting health and well-being, while fostering connections that build stronger families, lifelong friendships, and cherished memories.

In the Town of Herndon, our Parks and Recreation Department is committed to supporting healthy, active lifestyles and fostering community connection through inclusive programs and accessible facilities. From trails and sports fields to nature spaces and the Herndon Community Center, our amenities offer diverse opportunities for residents of all ages to explore their interests, connect with nature, and strengthen community bonds.

The success of these efforts is made possible by the dedication of Parks and Recreation staff and volunteers, whose commitment drives some of Herndon's most cherished events and programs, including: summer camps for all ages; Play All Day VA; Fourth of July Celebration; Farmers' Market Fun Days; Herndon Olympics; NatureFest; and the Herndon Turkey Trot ~ and many more activities that bring our community together year-round.

Therefore, the Mayor of the Town of Herndon, together with the Herndon Town Council, hereby proclaim the month of July 2025 as **National Parks and Recreation Month** in the Town of Herndon, and encourage all residents to recognize the value of our local parks and programs by exploring, participating in, and celebrating all they have to offer.