

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**2022 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-087-2022

Proposed by The Chair (by request—Planning Board)

Introduced by Council Members Harrison, Ivey, Turner, Hawkins, Taveras, Medlock, Glaros

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction July 12, 2022

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Parks and Recreation Month in Prince George's County

3 For the purpose of observing and recognizing the month of July 2022 as Parks and Recreation  
 4 Month in Prince George's County.

5 WHEREAS, parks and recreation amenities are an integral part of communities nationally,  
 6 statewide, and regionally, particularly in Prince George's County; and

7 WHEREAS, parks and recreation amenities directly promote the physical and mental health  
 8 and well-being of the residents of communities situated near parks; and

9 WHEREAS, these recreational amenities promote time spent in nature by providing space  
 10 for outdoor activities, such as popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools, and other activities  
 11 supporting active lifestyles; and

12 WHEREAS, parks and recreation amenities also enhance economic prosperity in and  
 13 around the communities they serve, through increased property values, expansion of the local tax  
 14 base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

15 WHEREAS, the County's Parks and Recreation Department of the Maryland-National  
 16 Capital Park and Planning Commission, along with other parks and recreations public agencies  
 17 nationwide, is a leading provider of healthy meals, nutrition services, and education; and

18 WHEREAS, along with its public parks and recreation partners across the country, the  
 19 Prince George's County Parks and Recreation Department offers programming and education  
 20 activities, such as out-of-school time programming, youth sports and environmental education,  
 21 that are critical to childhood development; and

1           WHEREAS, the use of public space for parks and recreation purposes is fundamental to the  
2 environmental well-being of our County communities and the region as a whole; and

3           WHEREAS, parks and recreation amenities offer essential and adaptable infrastructure to  
4 protect and ensure the resilience of our County communities when faced with natural disasters  
5 and effects of climate change on the region; and

6           WHEREAS, our parks and recreation areas safeguard the ecological beauty of our County  
7 communities and provide a safe place for children and adults to connect and commune with  
8 nature outdoors; and

9           WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives has designated the month of July  
10 as Parks and Recreation month; and

11           WHEREAS, the County Council, sitting as the District Council for that portion of the  
12 Maryland-Washington Regional District within Prince George’s County, recognizes the vital  
13 public benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

14           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
15 County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington  
16 Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, the District Council hereby proclaims  
17 July 2022 as Parks and Recreation Month in Prince George’s County, Maryland.

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Council encourages all citizens and  
19 residents to explore the host of parks and recreation resources and amenities in Prince George’s  
20 County and across the nation and world.

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

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COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF  
THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL  
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY,  
MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Calvin S. Hawkins, II  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council