

Office of Mayor John Laesch
City of Aurora, Illinois



Proclamation

National Parks and Recreation Month

July 2025

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities across the United States, including Aurora, and play a vital role in promoting active and healthy lifestyles, improving mental well-being, and fostering a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) designates July as National Parks and Recreation Month, highlighting the essential services provided by parks and recreation programs and the dedicated professionals who manage and maintain them; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation facilities provide safe spaces for children and families to play, exercise, and explore, helping to build stronger, healthier, and more connected communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora recognizes the importance of engaging the public in the planning, management, and enjoyment of parks and recreational activities to ensure these resources meet the diverse needs and interests of our community; and

WHEREAS, this month provides an opportunity to celebrate our hardworking City of Aurora Parks and Recreation Division and to thank them for their year-round work in maintaining our parks and enhancing opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy them.

Now, Therefore, I, Mayor John Laesch, do hereby proclaim July as **NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH** in the City of Aurora, Illinois, and encourage all residents to explore and enjoy our local parks.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Aurora to be affixed this 15th day of July 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Laesch", is written over a horizontal line.

Mayor John Laesch
60th Mayor of Aurora