

City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Edward (Ed) Stern



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** July is nationally celebrated in the United States as Parks and Recreation Month to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of Parks and Recreation; and
- WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation is an essential part of communities throughout this country, enhancing the quality of life by promoting physical and mental wellness, strengthening social and community connections with neighbors, and providing safe, inclusive spaces for play, learning, and engagement; and
- WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation provides environmental well-being to our region through managing natural spaces, preserving key habitat, and engaging community members to protect our environment through education, volunteerism, and park stewardship; and
- WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation contributes to the economic vitality of our community by promoting tourism, increasing property values, expanding the local tax base, and attracting economic development, and reducing crime; and
- WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation strengthens the cultural vibrancy of our community through cultural events and celebrations, diverse recreational programming, and development of spaces where community members of all backgrounds can convene and connect; and
- WHEREAS,** the dedication and expertise of Parks and Recreation professionals make these benefits possible through their year-round commitment to maintaining public spaces, offering innovative programs, expanding community partnerships, and ensuring equitable access for all; and
- WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation Professionals Day on July 17th offers a special opportunity to recognize and thank these individuals for their service, leadership, and positive impact increasing the quality of life for our community;

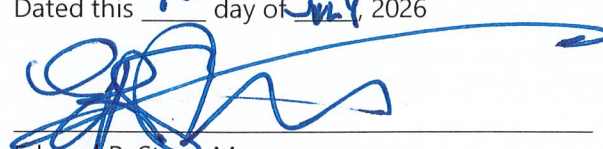
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Stern, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, do hereby proclaim July 2026 as:

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

In the City of Poulsbo and encourage all residents to celebrate, support, and recognize the benefits derived from Parks and Recreation professionals, the innovative community programs they offer, special events they oversee, and the many parks and trails resources they steward.



Dated this 1ST day of July, 2026


Edward R. Stern, Mayor

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