## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the investment in park land and recreation programming creates a desirable community for individuals and families to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, parks facilities and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation services connect people to their community, provide supportive networks for people of diverse backgrounds and encourage the sharing of ideas and dreams; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs provide regular opportunities for citizen involvement through planning and volunteering; and

WHEREAs, parks and recreation programs support sustainable lifestyles by providing facilities and services close to home; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs contribute to community food sustainability and nutrition; and

WHEREAS, summer is here and the City looks forward to your participation in a wide variety of programs and frequent visits to our fantastic parks;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOL VED that the Olympia City Council does hereby proclaim July, 2012 as

## PARK AND RECREATION MONTH

in Olympia. Get out and Experience It!

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2012.

**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL** 

Stephen H. Buxbaum Mayor