



PROCLAMATION

Whereas, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including City of Glendale; and are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities; and

Whereas, even through a pandemic, local parks, virtual recreation, trails, open space, and human services remained accessible to our community; and

Whereas, throughout the City of Glendale, we are fortunate to have 47 beautiful parks, recreation and special use facilities, including 286 acres of developed parkland and over 5,000 acres of open space, a historic nature center, and a wide variety of out-door recreation opportunities for its citizens and visitors; and

Whereas, the Community Services & Parks Department promotes physical, emotional, and mental health and wellness, and offers an array of opportunities to go outside, create memorable experiences and play through fitness classes, sports and recreation programs, cultural events, lifelong learning classes and parks, trails and facilities for fitness and sports activities for all age groups and abilities; and

Whereas, the Community Services & Parks Department also provides programs to address the basic human service needs of its residents including senior nutritional meals and case management; youth and family outreach, information and referral; youth employment and youth life skills training; homeless case management, prevention and housing; and job training programs; and

Whereas, the Community Services & Parks Department strengthens community safety and reduces juvenile crime, while fostering youth development and growth into productive adults through an array of after school and seasonal programs; and

Whereas, the strength of Glendale is increased through intergenerational recreation programs and events for all ages that allow people to play and grow together while providing the opportunity for residents to lead balanced, rewarding and healthy lives; and

Whereas, the Community Services & parks Department remains versatile and innovative in providing vital services to our community; and

Now, therefore, I, Daniel "Dan" Brotman, Mayor of the City of Glendale, proclaim July 2023, as

PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER MONTH

in Glendale and call all our citizens to celebrate by participating in recreation activities and community serves, and spending time in our community's parks.

Daniel Brotman, Mayor
July 25, 2023