



THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

**“Recreation & Parks Month”
June 2023**

- WHEREAS:** This month, we celebrate the Recreation and Culture Department as well as the Parks Department. We look to celebrate the services, events, employees, communities, amenities and spaces our Departments offer throughout the year. Parks and Recreation enhances quality of life, balanced living and contributes to the social and physical health of children, youth, adults and seniors. These services are accessible by persons of all ages and abilities; and,
- WHEREAS:** Recreational participation builds social capital, strengthens volunteer and community development, enhances social interaction, creates community pride and vitality, promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity, promotes lifelong learning, helps people live happier, develops skills and positive self image, develops creativity, and builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and,
- WHEREAS:** Parks are essential to the make-up of our communities, providing active and passive recreational opportunities, contributing to the health and wellness of our communities and acting as community gathering spaces that provide pride and cohesion to our communities; and,
- WHEREAS:** The benefits provided by recreation programs, services, and parks reduce health care and social service costs, serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability, enhance property values, attract new business, increase tourism and curb employee absenteeism; and,
- WHEREAS:** All levels of government, the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Province participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks programs, services and facilities; and,
- WHEREAS:** The Recreation Department will be offering special recreation events, and drop-in programming at various City of Windsor facilities and parks throughout the month of June;
- THEREFORE:** I, Drew Dilken, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

**June 2023
“Recreation & Parks Month”
in the City of Windsor.**

Mayor