

## Designation of July 21st as Park and Recreation Professionals Day

**WHEREAS**, the Deerfield Park District Board of Commissioners recognizes that the parks and recreation field is a diverse and comprehensive system that improves personal, social, environmental, and economic health; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deerfield Park District recognizes the importance and benefits of park and recreation services that enrich the lives of its citizens, and help make this community a desirable place to live, work and visit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deerfield Park District supports the skilled work of park and recreation professionals to strengthen community cohesion and resiliency, connect people with nature and each other, and provide and promote opportunities for healthful living, social equity, and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Deerfield Park District values the essential services that park and recreation professionals and volunteers perform to provide recreational and developmental enrichment for our children, youth, adults and older adults; and to ensure our parks and recreational spaces are clean, safe, inclusive, welcoming and ready to use.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Deerfield Park District Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim July 21<sup>st</sup> as "Park and Recreation Professionals Day" at the Deerfield Park District.

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS** Deerfield Park District

Jan Caron, President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Jeff Harvey, Secretary