Washoe County, Nevada

~PROCLAMATION~

- WHEREAS, Washoe County's Community Services Department strives to provide residents and visitors with exceptional parks, open space and recreational opportunities while preserving our region's valuable natural, historical, and cultural resources; and
- WHEREAS, Washoe County's vast park system of over 12,000 acres allows for recreational opportunities that help build active communities by aiding in the prevention of chronic disease, providing therapeutic recreation services for individuals of all abilities, and improving the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and
- WHEREAS, Washoe County's parks and natural areas are fundamental to environmental stewardship by improving water quality, protecting groundwater, improving air quality, providing natural buffers to development, and preserving habitat for wildlife; and
- WHEREAS, Since 1985, the National Recreation and Parks Association has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month and calls upon communities throughout the country in recognizing the importance our nation's park system.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim July, 2015 as

~Park and Recreation Month ~

and encourages all County residents to spend quality time outdoors with family and friends and enjoy this beautiful region we call home.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2015.

Marsha Berkbigler, Chair Washoe County Commission

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