

COUNTY OF GALVESTON

On this, the 7th day of July 2025, the Commissioners' Court of the County of Galveston, Texas, convened in a specially scheduled meeting with the following members thereof present:

Mark Henry, County Judge Darrell A. Apffel, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1 Joe Giusti, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 Hank Dugie, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 Robin Armstrong, MD, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; and **Dwight D. Sullivan, County Clerk**

when the following proceedings, among others, were had, to-wit:

WHEREAS parks and recreation promote health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation promote time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation encourage physical activities by providing space for popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools, and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, park and recreation programming and education activities, such as out-of-school time programming, youth sports, and environmental education, are critical to childhood development; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation are essential and adaptable infrastructure that make our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; and

WHEREAS our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

WHEREAS the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

WHEREAS Galveston County recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas, hereby proclaim July as Parks and Recreation Month throughout all of Galveston County.

Be it Further Resolved that a copy of this Resolution is spread upon the minutes of this Court and that the original herein be presented to Galveston County Parks and Cultural Services.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the above Resolution was unanimously passed on this the 7th day of July, 2025.

Attest:

County Clerk ullivan

Darrell A Apffel, Comm., Pct. #1

Joe Giusti, Comm., Pct. #2

County of Galveston, Texas

By:

Mark A. Henry ounty Judge Hank Dugie, Comm., Pct. #3

a Robin Armstrong, MD, Comm., Pct. #4