



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAMATION

July 2026 as

Parks Make Life Better Month

This resolution recognizes the importance of equitable access to local parks, recreation, trails, open space, and facilities for the positive development of all Californians and their communities. We, therefore, declare the month of July 2026 as Parks Make Life Better Month.

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation promotes physical, emotional, and mental health and wellness through organized and self-directed fitness, play, and activity; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports the economic vitality of communities by partnering with local businesses and non-profits, and offering events for resident's engagement; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation creates memorable experiences through youth sports and enrichment activities, teen centers and programs, senior activity centers, adult fitness, and enrichment programs, free community events, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation fosters social cohesiveness in communities by celebrating diversity, providing spaces to come together peacefully, modeling compassion, promoting social equity, connecting social networks, and ensuring all people have access to its benefits; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports human development and endless learning opportunities that foster social, intellectual, physical, and emotional growth in people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation strengthens community identity by providing facilities and services that reflect and celebrate community character, heritage, culture, history, aesthetics, and landscape; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation sustains and stewards our natural resources by protecting habitats and open space, connecting people to nature, and promoting the ecological function of parkland; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation supports safe, vibrant, attractive, progressive communities that make life better through positive alternatives offered in their recreational opportunities; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, I, Mayor Jill McLewis, do hereby proclaim July 2026 as Parks Make Life Better Month

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 7th day of July 2026.

Jill McLewis
Mayor