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**RESOLUTION 20xx-xxx**

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JULY 2024 AS  
PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix I (Port Act); and

**WHEREAS**, section 35 of the Port Act allows the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) to do all acts necessary and convenient for the exercise of its powers; and

**WHEREAS**, section 21 of the Port Act allows the BPC to pass all necessary resolutions for the regulation of the District; and

**WHEREAS**, following its launch by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) in 1985, Parks and Recreation Month is celebrated each July by parks and recreation professionals across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation Month promotes the vital importance of parks and recreation in health and wellness, economic prosperity, environmental conservation, and social equity; and

**WHEREAS**, this annual celebration also recognizes the thousands of parks and recreation employees that manage and maintain our nation's local, state, and community parks each day; and

**WHEREAS**, from protecting public recreation space and natural resources to bolstering the tourism economy and promoting health and well-being by providing places, activities, and resources that help prevent chronic disease and support mental and emotional health, parks and recreation services are critical to maintaining the quality of life in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation Month encourages everyone to acknowledge and appreciate the infinite value parks and recreation bring to our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the District's Parks & Recreation department manages public access to 22 beautiful parks for the benefit of public recreation, passive enjoyment, community gatherings, special events, and the display of a collection of public artworks to enhance the waterfront experience; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation Month raises public awareness about

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the role of open public space and recreation in communities and people's lives; it encourages individuals and organizations to participate in outdoor recreational activities and allows governments and businesses to show their commitment to planning and maintaining green spaces in urban settings; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed proclamation marks the District's sixth year acknowledging its long-standing commitment to stewardship and professional management of its parks for the enrichment of residents and visitors to the region.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, does hereby proclaim and recognize July 2024 as Parks and Recreation Month.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
GENERAL COUNSEL

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By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, by the following vote: