

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, since 1985, America has celebrated July as the nation's official Park and Recreation Month. This year's theme, **OUT is IN**, focuses on setting trends instead of following them, making 2014 the year people go **outside**, change their **outlook**, and get **involved** in their community through parks and recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, local parks and recreation experiences enhance the citizens of Ormond Beach quality of life by contributing to a healthy lifestyle, increasing communication skills, building self esteem, teaching life skills, and providing places for enjoyment; and

**WHEREAS**, parks and recreation activities, and leisure experiences provide opportunities for young people to live, grow, and develop into contributing members of society; create lifelines and continuous life experience for older members of the community; generate opportunities for people to come together and experience a sense of community; and pay dividends to the communities by attracting businesses, jobs, and increasing housing value; and

**WHEREAS**, Ormond Beach parks and trails ensure ecological beauty, provide space to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water, and preserve plant and animal wildlife, such as at Central Park, Ames Park and Memorial Gardens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ormond Beach recognizes the benefits derived from quality public and private parks and natural land resources, like Sanchez Park, Cassen Park, and Rockefeller Gardens; and

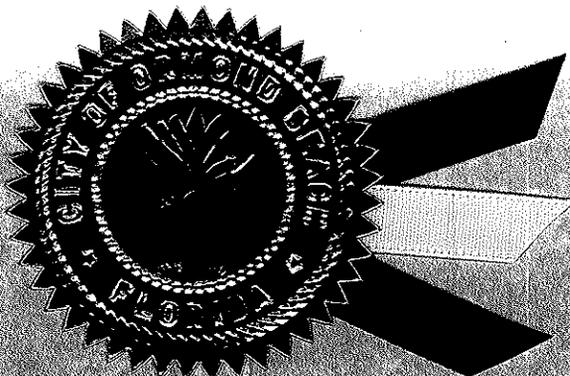
**WHEREAS**, we invite you to come **out** and take part **in** your community through parks and recreation;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim July 2014 as

## PARK AND RECREATION MONTH

in the City of Ormond Beach and encourage residents and visitors to enjoy using the parks, trails, and special places that enhance the quality of life of our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen.



*Ed Kelley*  
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Mayor