



Proclamation

- WHEREAS** in Saskatchewan, we are fortunate to have a variety of recreation and parks systems providing countless recreational opportunities for residents; and
- WHEREAS** recreation enhances the quality of life, active living and lifelong learning, helps people live happier and longer, develops skills and positive self-image in children and youth, develops creativity and builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and
- WHEREAS** recreation participation builds family unity and social capital, strengthens volunteer and community development, creates community pride and vitality and promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity; and
- WHEREAS** recreation, therapeutic recreation and leisure education are essential to enhancing the quality of life of individuals who experience living with a disability, or have become ill, or are disadvantaged; and
- WHEREAS** the benefits provided by recreation and parks programs and services reduce healthcare and social service costs, serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability, enhance property values, attract new business, and increase tourism; and
- WHEREAS** our parks, open space and trails ensure ecological sustainability, provide space(s) to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water and preserve plant and animal wildlife; and
- WHEREAS** all levels of government, the non-profit and voluntary sectors, and private enterprise throughout the province participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks programs, services and facilities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) does hereby proclaim that June, which witnesses the greening of Saskatchewan and serves as a significant gateway to summer family activities, has been designated as *June is Recreation & Parks Month*, which will annually recognize and celebrate the benefits derived year-round from quality public and private recreation and parks resources at the local, regional, and provincial levels.

Therefore, the Town of Nipawin in recognition off the benefits and values that recreation, parks and leisure services provide, does hereby designate the month of June as June is Recreation & Parks Month.

Signed this 15th day of June 2021

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rennie Harper".

Rennie Harper, Mayor