

City of Commerce City, Colorado



Proclamation

WHEREAS, *play is a valuable part of a child's healthy development and is a crucial factor in the overall well-being of children as well as people of all ages; and*

WHEREAS, *parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Commerce City; and*

WHEREAS, *children who play do better in school and develop cognitive skills that are linked to learning and academic performance; and*

WHEREAS, *our parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for individuals with disabilities, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all residents; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Commerce City acknowledges children are one of our most important resources; therefore, we must ensure safe and accessible play spaces for all children; and*

WHEREAS, *the city promotes children as well as people of all ages spend time outside at parks, trails and playgrounds with family and friends; and*

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

WHEREAS, *the City of Commerce City will join Playful Cities USA in celebrating Play Day by hosting a free family fun zone at the annual 4th Fest celebration July 4 at Dick's Sporting Goods Park.*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, *that I, on behalf of City Council, hereby proclaim Monday, July 4, 2016 as a DAY OF PLAY in the City of Commerce City and that July is recognized as Parks and Recreation Month in the City of Commerce City and encourage all residents to share the benefits that come from parks and recreation.*

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed on the twentieth day of June 2016.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Sean Ford, Mayor