



CHESTERMERE

Proclamation

RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH

June 2026

WHEREAS in Alberta, we are fortunate to have a variety of recreation and parks systems providing countless recreational opportunities for all residents and visitors from around the world; and

WHEREAS recreation and parks enhance quality of life, active living, leisure education, 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 enhances overall mental health and wellbeing; 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, decrease vandalism, attract new business, increase tourism and curb employee absenteeism; and

WHEREAS our parks, open spaces and trails ensure ecological sustainability, provide space to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water, and preserve plant and animal wildlife; and

WHEREAS all levels of government, the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Province of Alberta to participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks programs, services and facilities; and

WHEREAS the Alberta Recreation and Parks Association (ARPA) acknowledge and celebrates the month of June as Recreation & Parks Month, which will annually recognize and celebrate the benefits derived year-round from quality recreation and parks resources at the local, regional and provincial levels;

THEREFORE I, Shannon Dean, Mayor of the City of Chestermere, do hereby proclaim June 2026, in the City of Chestermere as:

“Recreation and Parks Month”

Mayor Shannon Dean

