

National Walk to a Park Day PROCLAMATION

Whereas, City of XXXX believes that everyone deserves equitable access to green spaces and seeks to ensure all residents have safe and nearby access to parks; and

Whereas, high-quality and accessible parks are anchors of equitable, economically thriving, safe, and vibrant American cities and have the power to transform communities; and

Whereas, Trust for Public Land is a national nonprofit that works to protect land and create parks for people, and to work with cities and communities to accelerate action to address the park equity divide; and

Whereas, the 10-Minute Walk® program is a national effort by Trust for Public Land that supports cities in their work to reduce the park equity divide and make it possible for all people in U.S. cities to access quality parks and green spaces within a 10-minute walk of their home; and

Whereas, according to Trust for Public Land research, parks serving a majority of people of color are, on average, half as large and serve nearly five times more people as parks that serve a majority-white population, and parks serving primarily low-income households are, on average, four times smaller than parks that serve a majority of high-income households; and

Whereas, this park equity divide is in part the result of decades of inequitable planning, practice, and policy decisions, and where complex social and historical contexts also contribute to many aspects of this park equity divide; and

Whereas, with City of XXXX residents currently living within a 10-minute walk of home, according to Trust for Public Land's data, XXXX seeks to improve access to parks to increase opportunities for all residents to create, play, educate, and enjoy themselves through a variety of programs, activities, and events.

Now therefore, I, MAYOR XXX, do hereby endorse the goals of the 10-Minute Walk® program and declare this day, October 10, 2025, to be National Walk to a Park Day in XXXX.

Dated: [XX/XX/XXXX]

Signed

[Mayor's Signature]