Council Meeting Date: July 13, 2009

Agenda Item:

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:

Proclamation for July as Parks and Recreation Month in Shoreline

DEPARTMENT:

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

PRESENTED BY:

Lynn M. Cheeney, Recreation Superintendent

ISSUE STATEMENT:

July is National Parks and Recreation Month. This is an opportunity to acknowledge the many agencies in our community that provide facilities, programs, and opportunities to enrich the lives of local residents. Tonight, Peggy O'Toole-Weber and members of her Irish Dance class will be here to accept the proclamation. Irish Dance is one of 18 dance classes for children between the ages of 3 and 17 that are held each quarter at the Spartan Recreation Center. Peggy teaches Irish dance to both children and adults. This past spring she had 48 students. In addition to performing at the annual Dance Recital, her students danced at the Seattle Center during Irish week in March and at the Shoreline Arts Festival in June.

Other agencies being recognized tonight include the Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Arts Council, King County Library System, Shoreline Historical Museum, Little League teams, soccer clubs, the Shoreline School District and the Dale Turner YMCA. All of these organizations working together allow both youth and adults to choose a variety of recreation and cultural activities to develop skills and encourage healthier lifestyles.

The City of Shoreline would like to thank all of these agencies and organizations for their continued efforts to make Shoreline a happy and healthy community.

RECOMMENDATION

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Approved By:

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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline in cooperation with local agencies strive to provide facilities, programs, and cultural opportunities to enrich the lives of residents in our community; and
- WHEREAS, facilities such as the Spartan Recreation Center, Richmond Highlands
 Recreation Center, Shoreline Pool, and public schools provide opportunities for
 active and passive recreational pursuits; and
- WHEREAS, agencies such as the City of Shoreline Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Department; Little Leagues; soccer clubs; the Shoreline School District and the Dale Turner YMCA offer a variety of fitness, health and educational activities for youth in our community; and
- WHEREAS, special events such as Celebrate Shoreline, Shoreline Arts Festival, Swingin' Summer Eve, and Concerts in the Parks provide entertainment and enrich the lives of citizens of all ages; and
- WHEREAS, the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council, King County Library System, the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Senior Center and the Shoreline Historical Museum, provide opportunities to enjoy a variety of educational and cultural programs for all ages; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline manages and maintains over 380 acres of parks, greenways, open spaces, and several miles of trails located throughout the community for exercise and enjoyment of the beautiful natural setting;
- WHEREAS, countless numbers of volunteers helped with programs and helped to keep our parks clean, green and safe;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cindy Ryu, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2009 as

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES MONTH

in the City of Shoreline and encourage our citizens to celebrate by enjoying what their community has to offer by taking part in their favorite sport or activity, visiting a park or spending time with friends and family.

Cindy Ryu Mayor of Shoreline