



THE CITY OF WINDSOR

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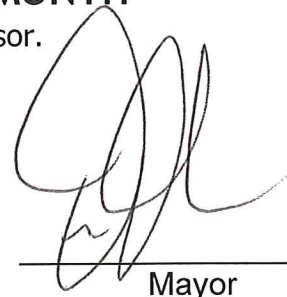
DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

"RECREATION & PARKS MONTH" JUNE 2019

- WHEREAS:** We celebrate the Parks and Recreation Department **HIGH FIVE** Accreditation. **HIGH FIVE** Accreditation is the highest recognized level of quality and safety in children's sport and recreation in Canada. Organizations that have achieved Accreditation are registered with HIGH FIVE and are distinguished by their focus on healthy child development in all aspects of their operation, from programming to policies and risk management. Developed by Parks and Recreation Ontario, **HIGH FIVE** is a nationally-recognized quality standard for recreation and sport programs; and
- WHEREAS:** Recreation enhances quality of life, balanced living and lifelong learning, helps people live happier and longer, develops skills and positive self image in children and youth, develops creativity, builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and
- WHEREAS:** Recreational participation builds family unity and social capital, strengthens volunteer and community development, enhances social interaction, creates community pride and vitality, promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity; and
- WHEREAS:** The benefits provided by recreation programs, services, parks and open space reduce healthcare and social service costs, serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability, enhance property values, attract new business, increase tourism and curb employee absenteeism; and
- WHEREAS:** All levels of government, the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Province participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks programs, services and facilities; and
- WHEREAS:** The Recreation Department will be offering FREE swimming, skating and access to the Fitness Centres at various City of Windsor Facilities throughout the month of June;
- THEREFORE:** I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

JUNE 2019
"RECREATION & PARKS MONTH"
in the City of Windsor.



Mayor