## **RESOLUTION NO. 2000-12**

## PROCLAIMING JULY AS NATIONAL PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

WHEREAS, parks & recreation activities enhance the physical health and mental well-being of individuals, work forces, and communities; and

WHEREAS, participation in recreation programs builds self-esteem and provides positive and constructive alternatives to anti-social behavior; and

WHEREAS, parks & recreation opportunities and open space enhance the desirability of communities as locations for business, industry, and residential housing; and

WHEREAS, parks & recreation stimulates tourism revenues and the economic development of communities; and

WHEREAS, parks & open space are vital to the appearance and livability of communities, protect our air and water, and balance our ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, it is the right of everyone regardless of age, race, color, religion, gender, national origin or ability to participate in parks and recreation programs and activities and enjoy parks and open spaces.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the City of Mason, Ohio, members elected thereto concurring:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio hereby designates and proclaims July, 2000 as National Parks & Recreation Month in the City of Mason, Ohio.

Section 2. That all citizens of this community join with citizens of other communities throughout the country in recognizing that parks & recreation services are essential to the quality of life not only in July during "July is Parks & Recreation Month," but all through the year as well.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2000

Attest:

Clerk of Counc

Mayor