The [County/Township/Borough] of [Municipality Name]

**PROCLAMATION**

**PARK AND RECREATION PROFESSIONALS DAY**

**[insert PRP date]**

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***promotes physical, emotional and mental health and wellness*** through organized and self-directed fitness, play, and activity; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***supports the economic vitality of communities*** by providing frontline jobs, childcare for the essential work force and promoting community revitalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***creates memorable experiences*** through engaging virtual and physically distanced programs, dynamic online events and new learning opportunities designed to keep families active while stay-at-home orders are in place and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***fosters social cohesiveness*** in communities by celebrating diversity, providing spaces to come together peacefully, modeling compassion, promoting social equity, connecting social networks, and ensuring all people have access to its benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***supports human development*** and endless learning opportunities that foster social, intellectual, physical and emotional growth in people of all ages and abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***strengthens community identity*** by providing facilities and services that reflect and celebrate community character, heritage, culture, history, aesthetics and landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***facilitates community problem and issue resolution*** by providing safe spaces to come together peacefully and facilitating conversations and services in order that our communities may heal both physically and emotionally; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***sustains and stewards our natural resources*** by protecting habitats and open space, connecting people to nature, and promoting the ecological function of parkland; and

**WHEREAS**, Parks and Recreation ***supports safe, vibrant, attractive, progressive communities*** that make life better through positive alternatives offered in their recreational opportunities;

**WHEREAS,** the [governing body] ***supports the skilled work*** of park and recreation professionals to strengthen community cohesion and resiliency, connect people with nature and each other, and provide opportunities for healthful living, social equity and environmental sustainability;

**WHEREAS,** the [governing body] ***values the essential services*** that park and recreation professionals and volunteers perform to provide recreational and developmental enrichment for our children, youth, adults and seniors; and to ensure our parks and recreational facilities are clean, safe, and ready to use.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the [governing body] does hereby proclaim [insert PRP date]as **“Pennsylvania Park and Recreation Professionals Day”** in [municipality.]

**ADOPTED** this [\_\_\_] day of [month] [year].

 [municipality governing board]

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