CITY OF WEST DES MOINES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNICATION

DATE: May 16, 2022

ITEM: Proclamation – Kids to Parks Day – May 21, 2022

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BACKGROUND: The attached proclamation designates May 21, 2022, as Kids to Parks Day. This proclamation is one way to encourage kids and families to get outdoors and visit parks.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES: None

RECOMMENDATION: That the Council approve the proclamation designating May 21, 2022, as Kids to Parks Day in West Des Moines.

Lead Staff Member: Sally Ortgies

STAFF REVIEWS

Department Director	
Appropriations/Finance	
Legal	
Agenda Acceptance	ATG

PUBLICATION(S) (if applicable)

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Dates(s) Published	

SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW (if applicable)

Committee	N/A		
Date Reviewed			
Recommendation	Yes	No	Split

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May 21, 2022, is the twelfth Kids to Parks Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and

WHEREAS, it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks; and

WHEREAS, we should encourage children to lead a more active lifestyle to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and outdoors; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor of West Des Moines, Iowa do hereby proclaim to participate in Kids to Parks Day. I urge residents of West Des Moines to make time May 21, 2022, to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state or national park.

Dated this 16th day of May 2022

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Russ Trimble, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ryan Jacobson, City Clerk