AGENDA ITEM NO. <u>6.6</u>.

Proclamation

Parks & Recreation Month July 2008

- WHEREAS, The Parks and Recreation profession in California "Creates Community through People, Parks and Programs"; and
- WHEREAS, Our parks help to preserve and protect the natural and cultural resources of California; and
- WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation services support more productive workforces, enhance the desirability of locations for businesses and families, and stimulate tourism revenues to increase a total community development model; and
- WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation strengthens community image and sense of place, and increases cultural unity; and
- WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation promotes health and wellness and reduces health care costs; and
- WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation fosters human development, helping young people develop and grow into healthy adults, and helping adults continue to live longer; and
- WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation strengthens safety and security and reduces juvenile crimes; and
- WHEREAS, Thousands of California children, adults, and seniors benefit from the wide range of services, facilities, and programs provided by the City of Garden Grove's Recreation and Human Services Division.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Garden Grove City Council does hereby proclaim the month of July as Parks and Recreation Month and encourages all residents to enjoy and recognize the social, physical, mental, economic, environmental, and community benefits derived from our Parks and Recreation programs which provide something of value to everyone.

June 10, 2008

4

Recommended for Approval

Matthew Fertal City Manager