Whereas, parks and recreation activities are vitally important to establishing and maintaining a strong quality of life in our community; and

Whereas, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities and improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

Whereas, parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

Whereas, parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and

Whereas, our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for citizens to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

Whereas, the Wylie Parks and Recreation Divisions are committed to providing the citizens of Wylie and our neighbors premier recreational opportunities, park amenities and open space to ensure a healthy and active community.

Now therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, Texas, on behalf of the City of Wylie City Council and Citizens of Wylie, on this the 27th day of June 2017, am honored to hereby proclaim the month of July 2017, as,"Park & Recreation Month"
in Wylie, Texas, and urge all citizens to visit a park or get involved in a recreation activity during the month of July.

 Eric Hogue, Mayor
City of Wylie
State of Texas