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July is “Recreation and Parks Month” in Howard County

ELLICOTT CITY, MD – Howard County Executive Ken Ulman has declared July “Recreation and Parks Month,” joining the rest of the nation in a traditional kickoff to summer and a celebration of all the dedicated public service employees and volunteers who work so hard to provide recreation and leisure activities in their communities.

“July is a great time to enjoy the outdoors and all that Howard County has to offer. Whether you are paddling a boat around Centennial Lake, hiking along the trails in Schooley Mill Park, participating with a summer league team, or just enjoying a picnic supper at one of our summer concerts, please recognize the people who make it all possible – the men and women of our Department of Recreation & Parks,” said County Executive Ulman.

Since 1985, the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) has designated the month of July as Recreation and Parks Month. Recreation and parks across the country annually use July to celebrate the kickoff of summer programming. Research shows that 75% of Americans live within two miles of a public park or recreation facility, and more than 75% of the population takes advantage of their local parks and recreation facilities.

To learn how you can participate with the Department of Recreation & Parks as a volunteer, call 410-313-4624. For a complete list of events and activities taking place during the month of July, visit the Department’s website at www.howardcountymd.gov/rap or call 410-313-4700.

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