

# PROCLAMATION

**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, playgrounds, sport fields, nature trails, public open spaces, recreation and cultural centers, libraries, and historic sites make a community attractive and desirable as a place to live, work, play and visit; and

**WHEREAS,** the residents of Torrance are fortunate to have excellent facilities including the Madrona Marsh Nature Center, Wilson Park Sports Center, Torrance Cultural Arts Center, the Torrance Public Libraries, the Benstead Plunge, the Bartlett and Tillim Senior Citizen Centers; and

**WHEREAS,** the Community Services Department provides a safe environment that help adults continue to live longer and allows opportunities for youth to enrich their lives and develop into contributing members of society; and

**WHEREAS,** Parks and Recreation services support more productive workforces, enhance the desirability of locations for business and families, and stimulate tourism revenues to increase a total community development model; and

**WHEREAS,** the provision of Parks and Recreation activities fosters human development, enhances community image and sense of place, encourages cultural unity, strengthens family unity, protects our natural resources, promotes health and wellness, and generally helps to improve the quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance,** California, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2008 as

## ***PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH***

in the City of Torrance, and urge all residents to enjoy and recognize the social, physical, mental, economic, environmental and community benefits derived from participation in programs offered by the Torrance Community Services Department.

Signed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk

