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COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department/Division: Parks and Recreation

Department Head: Anita Godbee

Presenter, if needed: Anita Godbee/Debbie Parrish

Preferred Meeting Date: Thursday June 26, 2008

Wording for the Agenda:

Presentation of Proclamation of National Therapeutic Recreation Week July 7-11

Background/History/Details:

Individual and organized forms of recreation and the use of leisure time are vital to the lives of all Americans, especially persons with physical, mental, emotional and/or social limitations. The purpose of therapeutic recreation is accomplished through the provision of programs and services which assist in eliminating barriers to leisure, developing leisure skills and attitudes and optimizing leisure involvement. Therefore the National Therapeutic Recreation Society, a branch of the National Recreation and Park Association, originated a week of observance to focus on the value of recreation and leisure experiences for all persons, including those with physical, mental, emotional and/or social limitations. The Fayette Parks and Recreation Department would like to request this week be Proclaimed as National Therapeutic Recreation Week in Fayette County and to encourage our citizens to support this observance and to promote the quality of life for persons with physical, mental, emotional and/or social limitations.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Proclamation declaring July 7-11 as National Therapeutic Recreation Week in Fayette County. Anita Godbee and her staffer in charge of the therapeutic programs, Debbie Parrish, will be present to talk about the program and will bring some participants with her. The document should be presented to the group following staff's comments.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past? No

If so, when?

Do you need audio-visual for the presentation? No

Back-up Material Submitted? No

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- (●) Purchasing Review Complete
- ( ) Legal Review Complete
- (●) Administrative Staff Review Complete

Administrator's Approval Yes

Confirmed Meeting Date 6/26/2008

- (●) Recognition/ Presentation
- ( ) Public Hearing
- ( ) Old Business
- ( ) New Business
- ( ) Consent
- ( ) Report
- ( ) Other