



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sara L. Hensley

**SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION REQUEST-
NATIONAL AQUATIC WEEK**

DATE: 06-08-04

Approved

Date

CEREMONIAL ITEM

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Aquatic Branch announces the designation of July 18-24, 2004 as National Aquatic Week. Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) wishes to acknowledge this designation by highlighting the great efforts of our staff in providing swimming and aquatic programs to the citizens of the City of San José.

The City of San José provides the public with recreational swimming programs and lessons at both our City-owned pools and collaboratively through the local school districts. The total 2003 Aquatics Program attendance was 112,522 participants. Our staff provides safe and healthy aquatic facilities that are clean and attractive. They promote activities and events that meet the aquatic needs of the community and adequately service all age, ethnic, and skill groups in the community. Staff encourages an appreciation of safety in and around water and they provide aquatic instruction in all aspects of aquatic activities and water safety programs at a low cost to the community.

PRNS would like to take this opportunity to proclaim July 18-24, 2004 as National Aquatic Week, and encourages all residents to take advantage of the aquatic opportunities that PRNS provides.

SARA L. HENSLEY
Director of Parks, Recreation and
Neighborhood Services

WHEREAS: Individuals and organized forms of recreation and the creative use of free time are vital to the happy lives of all our citizens, and education, athletic and recreation programs throughout the City of San José encompass a multitude of activities that can result in personal accomplishment, self-satisfaction and family unity for all citizens, regardless of their background, ability level or age; and

WHEREAS: Citizens of the City of San José should recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities are to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS: The City of San José is extremely proud of the swimming facilities and aquatic programs of this community and their contributions to providing to all ages a healthy place to recreate, a place to learn and grow, swim, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron Gonzales, Mayor of the City of San José, along with all my colleagues on the City Council, do hereby declare the week of July 18-24, 2004 as

NATIONAL AQUATIC WEEK

And do urge all those in the City of San José to support and promote this observance.

**Presentation of NATIONAL AQUATIC WEEK Proclamation
at June 29, 2004 City Council Meeting**

PRESENTER: Mayor Ron Gonzales

SCRIPT:

Mayor: The City of San José joins the National Recreation and Park Association to announce the designation of July 18-24, 2004 as "NATIONAL AQUATIC WEEK." The Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Department provides excellent swimming and aquatic programs to the citizens of the City of San José. In the summer of 2003, 112,522 citizens enjoyed themselves in our City run swim programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron Gonzales, Mayor of the City of San José, along with my colleagues on the City Council, do proclaim July 18-24, 2004 as "**NATIONAL AQUATIC WEEK,**" and call upon the people of the City of San José to visit one of our many pools and participate in an aquatic program.