

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 2002 thousands of individuals volunteered their time, money, and talent towards the construction of Play Park Pointe at Shryock Park; and

WHEREAS, the initiative was started by a group of local stay-at-home moms wanting more for their kids and community and the name and design for the park was selected by Augusta elementary school students; and

WHEREAS, the construction of Play Park Pointe was funded entirely by donations, with volunteers raising \$134,000 over a nine-month period through local 501c3 Ignite Augusta; and

WHEREAS, Play Park Pointe was constructed through a community-build by 3,000 volunteers over a span of six days, led by a steering team of over 20 dedicated members who also provided childcare and meals for volunteers; and

WHEREAS, this park has been a source of community pride and a draw for visitors for the past 20 years;

WHEREAS, in 2022 a certified playground inspector's report determined that the condition of Play Park Pointe had deteriorated to the degree that the structure was not salvageable and would need to be demolished;

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta wants to honor the extensive and difficult work completed by those volunteers who envisioned and constructed Play Park Pointe in 2002;

NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Mike Rawlings, Mayor of the City of Augusta, Kansas do hereby proclaim **April 28, 2022** to be Play Park Pointe Volunteer Recognition Day.* All those who have enjoyed Play Park Pointe over years are encouraged to express their appreciation for the hard work of these volunteers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Augusta, Kansas to be affixed this 28th day of April, 2022.*

Mike L. Rawlings, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erica Jones