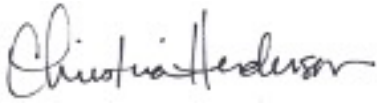



1 

2 Councilmember Christina Henderson



Councilmember Trayon White, Sr.

3  
4 

5 Councilmember Zachary Parker



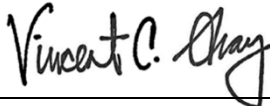
Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

7  
8 

9 Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau



Councilmember Robert White, Jr.

11  
12 

13 Councilmember Vincent C. Gray



Councilmember Charles Allen

14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

20  
21  
22 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

23  
24  
25  
26 To recognize and honor the many contributions of Oxon Run Park to the health and wellness of  
27 of District residents and visitors, and to declare August 17, 2024, as Oxon Run Day.

28  
29 WHEREAS, the federal government transferred Oxon Run Park to the District in 1971 to  
30 improve the health and wellness of all District residents;

31  
32 WHEREAS, Oxon Run Park is located in Ward 8 and is the largest park in the  
33 Department of Park and Recreation's inventory, with a 3-mile, 128-acre circumference, and one  
34 of the largest collections of Legacy Cherry Blossom Trees outside of the Tidal Basin;

35  
36 WHEREAS, Oxon Run Park has served a critical role in meeting the educational and  
37 recreational needs of residents and visitors since 1942 and supports basketball, baseball, tennis,  
38 yoga, swimming, and hiking activities, as well as bike paths and walking trails;

39  
40 WHEREAS, Oxon Run Park is the site of the James E. Bunn amphitheater, named after  
41 the Ward 8 businessman and civil leader, and the site of 4000 square feet of playground space for  
42 the safe enjoyment of District youth and visitors;

43  
44 WHEREAS, Oxon Run Park is the site of the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center, a  
45 state of the art tennis facility that hosts more than 20 official US Tennis Association events each  
46 year and has served more than 10,000 District youth by providing tennis instruction, tutoring, life

47 skills instruction, chess instruction, and the use of a computer center and library since its opening  
48 in 2001;

49  
50 WHEREAS, Oxon Run Park has partnered with the District Department of Energy and  
51 The Environment to establish a community renewable energy facility that produces 2.65  
52 megawatts of clean solar energy and delivers energy to 750 nearby households;

53  
54 WHEREAS, as a result of persistent concerns regarding the nutritional choices available  
55 in East of the River Communities, the Well at Oxon Run was established; a one acre, 20,000  
56 square foot of land which provides fruits and vegetables to the Ward 8 community and the  
57 District at large, and supports collective learning and education on urban farming practices and  
58 the eradication of food deserts;

59  
60 WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation began an agreement with residents  
61 concerned with the future development of the park and its mission, and formed the Friends of  
62 Oxon Run Coalition in 2017 to help improve the overall maintenance and programming  
63 available at the park;

64  
65 WHEREAS, Friends of Oxon Run have entered significant partnerships to improve the  
66 Park including the University of the District of Columbia, the Department of Energy and the  
67 Environment, the Alice Ferguson Foundation, Eagle Academy Public Charter School, the  
68 Washington Area Bicyclist Association, the DC Audubon Society, and many more;

69  
70 WHEREAS, the continued improvement and progressive use of Oxon Run Park is of  
71 great benefit to the overall health, wellness, and enjoyment of District residents and visitors;

72  
73 RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this  
74 resolution may be cited as the “Oxon Run Park Day Recognition Resolution of 2024”.

75  
76 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the invaluable  
77 contributions of Oxon Run Park to the health, safety, and sustainability of the District and  
78 visitors and declares August 17, 2024, as Oxon Run Park Day.

79  
80 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in  
81 the District of Columbia Register.