



State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

Whereas, New York is a magnificent and scenic state with diverse natural resources, including vast mountain ranges, miles of ocean beaches, dramatic gorges, a well-developed system of trails, and numerous forests, lakes, and rivers – all of which provide venues for outdoor activity and healthy recreation; and

Whereas, the arrival of warm weather brings opportunities to spend time outdoors, and residents and tourists alike are encouraged to engage in outdoor activities, safely and sensibly; and

Whereas, a number of parks and other natural settings offer outdoor adventures and activities that appeal to a wide variety of interests – from enjoying a sport as a member of a summer league, to bicycling, hiking, horseback riding, or whitewater rafting; and

Whereas, our abundance of rivers and lakes, along with a generous shoreline, have produced a vast network of public beaches that provide residents and visitors with opportunities for water recreation and sports activities; and

Whereas, New York's system of state parks offer forests, trails, wetlands, wildlife centers, streams, and historic sites from Long Island to Niagara Falls, and these public lands provide opportunities for everyone to experience our state's unique and beautiful landscapes; and

Whereas, as visitors from around the world discover New York State's potential for summer fun and adventure, the Empire State joins in support of Great Outdoors Month, recognizing that our precious natural resources open up a world of exciting possibilities for outdoor experiences;

Now, Therefore, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim June 2017 as

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

in the Empire State.



G i v e n under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State
at the Capitol in the City of Albany this first day
of June in the year two thousand seventeen.

Governor

Secretary to the Governor
Melissa DeRosa