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O’Connell Announces Extended Hours at Hopewell Pool

Taunton, MA...Today Mayor Shaunna O’Connell announced extended hours at the public pool at Hopewell Park beginning Tuesday, July 19, 2022 through August 19, 2022 to provide additional recreational opportunities for Taunton residents this summer.

Hopewell Pool will now be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00pm to 5:15pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00pm to 6:45pm and Saturdays from 11:00am to 3:45pm. The cost for City residents is \$2.00 per person and children 10 and under swim for free.

“Hopewell Pool, the splash pad and the basketball courts have been a great source of fun for our families this summer. I am immensely grateful to AJ Marshall and the Parks and Recreation employees who are working hard to provide opportunities for our City residents to have fun and stay cool,” said Mayor O’Connell.

Please note capacity limits at the pool will apply to ensure the safety of all residents, especially children. In addition to the extended hours at Hopewell Pool, the Hopewell Park splash pad is also open daily from 10:00am-8:00pm.

For more information, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 508-821-1415 or visit www.taunton-ma.gov.

Extended pool hours are particularly welcome as the National Weather Service has issued a Heat Advisory for Wednesday, July 20, 2022 from 11:00am to 8:00pm. Residents are encouraged to take precautions and stay safe. The Taunton Public Library is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00am to 8:00pm and Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm and can be utilized by City residents seeking a cool place to stay during the day.

Heat Safety Tips:

- Remember to check in on friends, relatives and seniors, especially those prone to heat exhaustion or without air conditioning units.
- Do not leave pets in cars, even for short amounts of time.
- Stay hydrated.
- Stay inside during the hottest part of the day, if possible.
- Keep sunlight out of living spaces by covering windows and other openings.
- Wear loose-fitting clothing and a hat when outdoors.
- Be alert to signs of heat-related illness, including excessive sweating, high body temperature, rapid pulse, weakness or dizziness. Contact your health care provider if you are experiencing heat-related symptoms, or call 911 for emergency assistance. ###