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Mayor O'Connell Extends Hours at Hopewell Pool During Heat Wave

Taunton, MA...Today Mayor O'Connell announced extended hours at the public pool at Hopewell Park from August 11, 2021 through August 13, 2021 in response to the high temperatures expected in Taunton.

Mayor O'Connell has directed the pool to be open from 11 am to 7pm on August 11th, August 12th, and August 13th with free admission for Taunton residents. "I would like to thank AJ Marshall, all of the life guards, and the Park and Recreation employees who are working hard to provide opportunities for our city residents to stay cool."

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 from 9:00am-8:00pm.

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

For emergency assistance, contact the Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) at 508-821-1026.

Heat Wave 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.

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