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ADA Anniversary Celebration: Building Community

[CHARLESTON] – In partnership with the City of Charleston and City of North Charleston, the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission (CCPRC) will present an event celebrating the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) being signed into law.

The event, open to the public, will be held at **Park Circle (4800 Park Circle) in North Charleston on Wednesday, July 23 from 4 – 7 p.m.** Participants will hear from renowned motivational disability speaker Alycia Anderson, and also enjoy refreshments and vendor booths on site. Following the event, guests are invited to enjoy the Park Circle playground, the world's largest inclusive playground. This event is free and all are welcome.

The event is sponsored by refreshment provider Odd Duck markets, cake provider Cakette Bakeshop, and flower provider Roadside Blooms.

"The signing into law of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in 1990 represented a long overdue step forward for people with disabilities throughout America," said CCPRC Chief Operating Officer and ADA Coordinator Steve Hutton. "The ADA gives protections to people with disabilities similar to those provided to others on the basis of race, sex, national origin, age and religion."

"It's exciting to see accessibility grow throughout the Lowcountry as more companies and organizations are improving their ADA compliance. CCPRC is proud to be a part of this celebration to honor the passage of this important civil rights legislation at one of the area's newest and most thoughtfully designed facilities at Park Circle on July 23!"

The Americans with Disabilities Act was signed into law on July 26, 1990. For more information on the ADA, please visit <https://www.ada.gov/>.

The Charleston County Park & Recreation Commission invites people with disabilities to experience their programs, services, trails and facilities to discover how the agency's 11,000+ acres of parkland can enrich their lives. CCPRC strives to go beyond compliance with the [Americans With Disabilities Act \(ADA\)](#) to provide opportunities for recreation, physical and emotional well-being, and peaceful respite.

The mission of CCPRC is to improve the quality of life in Charleston County by offering a diverse system of park facilities, programs and services. The large park system features over 11,000 acres of property and includes six regional parks, three beach parks, four seasonally-lifeguarded beach areas, three dog parks, two landmark fishing piers, three waterparks, 19 boat landings, a skate park, a historic plantation site, a climbing wall, a challenge course, an interpretive center, an equestrian center, cottages, a campground, a marina, as well as wedding, meeting and event facilities. CCPRC also offers a wide variety of recreational services – festivals, camps, classes, programs, and much more. For more information on CCPRC, call 843-795-4386, or visit www.charlestoncountyparks.com.

