

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

WHEREAS, libraries are accessible and inclusive places that foster a sense of connection and build community;

WHEREAS, libraries connect people to technology, providing access to broadband internet, computers, and training that are critical for accessing education and employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, libraries offer opportunities for everyone to connect with new ideas and become their best selves through access to multimedia content, programs, and classes - in addition to books;

WHEREAS, today's libraries and their services extend far beyond the four walls of a building and everyone is welcome to use their resources;

WHEREAS, in times of crisis, libraries and library professionals play an invaluable role in supporting their communities both in person and virtually;

WHEREAS, libraries strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve and ensure equity of access for all;

WHEREAS, to adapt to our changing world, libraries are expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their patrons;

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status;

WHEREAS, libraries are cornerstones of democracy, promoting the free exchange of information and ideas for all;

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, and library workers are joining library supporters and advocates across the nation to celebrate National Library Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, David Dyar, Mayor of Boaz, proclaim National Library Week, April 3-9, 2022. During this week, I encourage all residents to connect with their library by visiting online or in person to access resources and services.

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