

## PROCLAMATION

Whereas, a library card is the most essential school supply of all;

Whereas, libraries and librarians play a crucial role in the education and development of children;

Whereas, libraries offer a variety of programs to stimulate an interest in reading and learning;

Whereas, signing up for a library card is the first step on the path towards early literacy, academic achievement and lifelong learning;

Whereas, a library card gives students the tools that foster success in the classroom and beyond;

Whereas, librarians create welcoming and inclusive spaces for individuals of all backgrounds to learn together and engage with one another;

Whereas, a library card empowers all people to pursue their dreams and explore new passions and interests;

Whereas, libraries are constantly transforming and expanding services to meet the evolving needs of their communities;

Therefore, be it resolved that I, Dave Ruth Jr., Mayor proclaim September, Library Card Sign-up Month, in Deadwood, SD and encourage everyone to sign up for their own library card today.

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Mayor, David Ruth Jr.