

## Local Library Day PROCLAMATION City of Hutchins

WHEREAS, public libraries play vital roles in the education, recreation, and empowerment of local communities;

WHEREAS, libraries continue to level the playing field for all who seek information and access to technologies;

WHEREAS, each year the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association confers the Achievement of the Library Excellence Award for outstanding contributions to public libraries in Texas;

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association Achievement of Library Excellence Award is open to Texas Public Library Directors and the member libraries they represent;

WHEREAS, applicants must exhibit excellence by providing services to underserved and special populations; marketing in innovative ways; pursuing collaborative efforts; continually enhancing its services; supporting literacy, digital inclusion, and workforce development; providing cultural, topical, and educational programming; and comprehensively training its staff;

WHEREAS, of the approximately 545 public libraries that exist in Texas, only 84 received this award in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Atwell Public Library has met the requirements of excellence and has been awarded the 2023 Texas Municipal Library Directors Association Achievement of Library Excellence Award.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved, I, Mario Vasquez, Mayor of the City of Hutchins, proclaim March 18, 2024, to be Atwell Public Library Day in the City of Hutchins and encourage all residents to visit the library and enjoy the many programs and services offered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hutchins to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

Mario Vasquez, Mayor