

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 18 – OCTOBER 24, 2026, AS
NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK**

Whereas the American Library Association’s division, United for Libraries, established National Friends of Libraries Week in 2006 to recognize and celebrate the invaluable contributions of Friends groups across the nation; and

Whereas since its founding, National Friends of Libraries Week has encouraged communities to honor the volunteers who advocate for libraries, raise funds to enhance programming, sponsor cultural events, and promote greater community engagement; and

Whereas libraries are vital community institutions that provide free access to information, lifelong learning, and cultural enrichment for people of all ages and backgrounds; and

Whereas the Friends of the Library are dedicated volunteers who generously contribute their time, talent, and resources to support and strengthen library services; and

Whereas the Friends of the Lake Park Public Library, founded in 1986, have played a vital role in enhancing library services for our community; and

Whereas the Friends have supported the library by providing furniture for the Children’s Room, sponsoring Summer Reading Programs and the annual Read for the Record, supplying refreshments for art exhibit receptions, and volunteering at countless programs; and

Whereas National Friends of Libraries Week offers a fitting opportunity to recognize and celebrate the countless contributions of these devoted individuals who work tirelessly to enrich our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Roger Michaud, Mayor of the Town of Lake Park, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 19 – October 25, 2025, as:

National Friends of Libraries Week

and proudly honor the Friends of the Lake Park Public Library for their steadfast commitment to supporting, strengthening, and advancing the mission of our library for the benefit of all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Lake Park, Florida, to be affixed this ____ day of October, 2026.

BY:

Mayor Roger Michaud

ATTEST:

Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk