

**PROCLAMATION**  
**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, today's libraries are less about what they have on the shelves and more about what they can do with and for their communities and they have long served as trusted and treasured institutions where people of all ages, interests and backgrounds can come together and learn alongside one another; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools and campuses and offer members of the community a welcoming space and opportunities to explore new passions through technology, programs and services; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries and librarians help patrons find tools to help improve the quality of their life; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries, which promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, are cornerstones of democracy and strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational programming that transform lives and strengthen communities; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

I, Ranae Bartlett, Mayor of the City of Madison, Alabama do hereby proclaim the week of

**APRIL 19 – 25, 2026**

As

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

in the City of Madison, Alabama and I encourage all residents to visit the library this week and explore what's new at your library, and engage with your librarian. Because of you, Libraries Transform.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Madison, Alabama to be affixed, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ranae Bartlett, Mayor

**PROCLAMATION**  
**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, today's libraries are less about what they have on the shelves and more about what they can do with and for their communities and they have long served as trusted and treasured institutions where people of all ages, interests and backgrounds can come together and learn alongside one another; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools and campuses and offer members of the community a welcoming space and opportunities to explore new passions through technology, programs and services; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries and librarians help patrons find tools to help improve the quality of their life; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries, which promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, are cornerstones of democracy and strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational programming that transform lives and strengthen communities; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

I, Ranae Bartlett, Mayor of the City of Madison, Alabama do hereby proclaim the week of

**APRIL 19 – 25, 2026**

As

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

in the City of Madison, Alabama and I encourage all residents to visit the library this week and explore what's new at your library, and engage with your librarian. Because of you, Libraries Transform.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Madison, Alabama to be affixed, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ranae Bartlett, Mayor