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Proclamation of October 2022 as Michigan Library Appreciation Month

Whereas, the Michigan Library Association (MLA) annually designates the month of October as a statewide observance to celebrate the contributions of Michigan's public, school, academic, tribal, cooperative and special libraries;

Whereas, Michigan's libraries continue to evolve and expand their services and now offer more programs, events, services, resources, and collections than ever to serve and support their communities;

Whereas, libraries are now dynamic centers of discovery and lifelong learning – serving as concert venues, art galleries, tourist destinations, meeting spaces, community living rooms, makerspaces, study rooms and more;

Whereas, libraries now offer patrons much more to borrow than books, including tablets and laptops, mobile hotspots, sports equipment, games, movies, music and more – serving as an indispensable resource for children, teens, adults and seniors;

Whereas, libraries provide free access to information to millions of Michiganders allowing them to explore and discover a vast world of information and entertainment;

Whereas, libraries provide materials and programs that are as diverse as the people they serve, while protecting patron's privacy and supporting their right to read;

Whereas, libraries serve as the primary point of access for people without internet or access to computers, enabling everyone to connect to the people and ideas of the world;

Whereas, Michigan libraries are indispensable educational and cultural institutions in the heart of our communities, offering Michiganders a place to gather, socialize, study and learn;

Whereas, hundreds of libraries and millions of library supporters across Michigan are celebrating Michigan Library Appreciation Month this October; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the City of Madison Heights proclaims October 2022 as Michigan Library Appreciation Month.

During this time, we encourage all residents to visit the Madison Heights Public Library in person or virtually and connect to the numerous services, resources, and collections our library provides.