



**PROCLAMATION**  
**National Library Week**  
**April 7-13, 2024**

WHEREAS, libraries offer the opportunity for everyone to connect with others, learn new skills, and pursue their passions, no matter where they are on life's journey; and

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted institutions, striving to ensure equitable access to information and services for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; and

WHEREAS, libraries adapt to the ever-changing needs of their communities, developing and expanding collections, programs, and services that are as diverse as the populations they serve; and

WHEREAS, libraries are accessible and inclusive places that promote a sense of local connection, advancing understanding, civic engagement, and shared community goals; and

WHEREAS, libraries are treasured institutions that preserve our collective heritage and knowledge, safeguarding physical and digital resources for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, and library workers are joining library supporters and advocates across the nation to celebrate National Library Week; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Colleen G. Whitlow, Mayor,** do hereby designate National Library Week, April 7-13, 2024. During this week, I encourage all residents to visit a library and celebrate the adventures and opportunities unlocked for us every day. Ready, Set, Library!

Given under my hand and Seal of the Town of Mead, Colorado  
On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024

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Colleen G. Whitlow  
Mayor