

City of St. Helens, Oregon

PROCLAMATION

By Mayor Jennifer Massey

National Library Month

April 6 – 12, 2025

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library sparks creativity, fuels imagination, and inspires lifelong learning, offering a space where individuals of all ages can explore new ideas and be drawn to new possibilities; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library serves as a vibrant community hub, connecting people with knowledge, technology, and resources while fostering civic engagement, critical thinking, and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library provides free and equitable access to books, digital tools, and innovative programming, ensuring that all individuals—regardless of background—have the support they need to learn, connect, and thrive; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library partners with schools, businesses, and organizations, connecting the dots to maximize resources, increase efficiency, and expand access to essential services, strengthening the entire community; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library empowers job seekers, entrepreneurs, and lifelong learners by providing access to resources, training, and opportunities that support career growth and economic success; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library provides the Makerspace, an innovative place for adults and children to explore and learn how to use equipment like 3D printers and sewing machines, expanding their knowledge and experience, for leisure and entrepreneurial endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library librarians and library workers nurture young minds through storytimes, STEAM programs, and literacy initiatives, fostering curiosity and a love of learning that lasts a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library protects the right to read, think, and explore without censorship, standing as champions of intellectual freedom and free expression; and

WHEREAS, the St. Helens Public Library’s dedicated librarians and library workers provide welcoming spaces that inspire discovery, collaboration, and creativity for all; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, and library workers across the country are joining together to celebrate National Library Week under the theme “**Drawn to the Library**”.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer Massey, the Mayor of the City of St. Helens, do hereby proclaim April 6 – 12, 2025, as **National Library Week**. I encourage all residents to visit the St. Helens Public Library, explore its resources, and celebrate all the ways that the library draws us together as a community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of St. Helens to be affixed at St. Helens City Hall on this 16th day of April 2025.

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Gold
Seal &
Stamp
Here*

Jennifer Massey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Payne, City Recorder