

PROCLAMATION

National Library Week

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions, and library workers and librarians fuel efforts to better their communities, campuses and schools;

WHEREAS, Warren County librarians are organizers and information experts who for over a century have guided people to the best information resources. Librarians provide the expertise, services and guidance for patrons to access credible sources and information, making their own informed decisions about the worlds they navigate;

WHEREAS, Warren County libraries and librarians offer more than books, offering opportunities for community engagement and delivering new services that more closely connect communities and their needs;

WHEREAS, Warren County libraries and librarians open a world of possibilities through introductions to STEM programs, workforce development, life-planning seminars and instilling a sense of the power of reading and lifelong education;

WHEREAS, Warren County libraries support democracy and effect social change through their commitment to providing equitable access to information and access to technologies for all library users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status.

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Library Association's PA Forward initiative provides a collective voice for libraries throughout the commonwealth to tell their stories and build capacity for the work they do with and for patrons;

WHEREAS, Warren County librarians work to serve all community members, including people of color, immigrants, people with disabilities, and the most vulnerable in our communities, offering services and educational resources that transform communities, open minds and promote inclusion and diversity, particularly as society continues to transition to the digital landscape;

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week, which is celebrating its 65th year in 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Warren County Commissioners proclaim National Library Week, April 23-29, 2023. Residents are encouraged to visit their local libraries this week and beyond, exploring all the libraries have to offer. Remember, literacy is power. Libraries provide the fuel to move Pennsylvania forward.

ADOPTED, this 12th day of April, 2023.

COMMISSIONERS OF WARREN COUNTY



Tricia D. Durbin
Chair

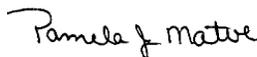


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