



PROCLAMATION
Proclaiming April 7 – April 13, 2024
“NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK”
in the City of Littleton

WHEREAS, libraries are an essential public good and fundamental institutions in democratic societies, working to improve society, protect the right to education and literacy, and promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all;

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;

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

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;

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

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;

WHEREAS, libraries play a pivotal role in economic development by providing resources and support for job seekers, entrepreneurs, and small businesses, thus contributing to local prosperity and growth;

WHEREAS, libraries make and support choices that are environmentally and economically sustainable, creating thriving communities for a better tomorrow;

WHEREAS, the City of Littleton’s public library has been serving our community since 1897;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kyle Schlachter, Mayor of the City of Littleton, do hereby proclaim April 7 through April 13, 2024, as “NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK” in the City of Littleton and urge all citizens to visit the Edwin A. Bemis Public Library, meet your friendly and helpful library team, and celebrate the adventures and opportunities they unlock for us every day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Littleton to be affixed this 2nd day of April 2024.



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