

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK IN APRIL

WHEREAS, during the pandemic, library workers continue to exceed their communities' demands and adapt resources and services to meet their users' needs during these challenging times; and

WHEREAS, whether people visit in person or virtually, our nation's free public libraries offer opportunities for everyone to explore new worlds and pursue lifelong learning through access to information, technology, multimedia content, educational programs, and literacy services; and

WHEREAS, first sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and observed in libraries across the country each April; and

WHEREAS, the theme for National Library Week 2022, "Connect With Your Library," highlights the numerous ways libraries serve to connect communities to books, resources, programs, technology and, of course, each other; and

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians lead their communities in innovation, providing STEAM programming, Makerspaces, and access to and training for new technologies; and

WHEREAS, libraries are pioneers supporting democracy and effecting social change, with a commitment to providing equitable access to information for all library users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, libraries lead in working with diverse communities, including people of color, immigrants, and people with disabilities, offering services and educational resources that transform communities, open minds, and promote inclusion and diversity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *that the City Council of the City of South San Francisco does hereby proclaim April 3-9, 2022, as National Library Week and encourages all residents to take advantage of the wonderful programs, services, and resources at our libraries.*

Mark Nagales, Mayor

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James Coleman, Councilmember

Eddie Flores, Councilmember

Dated: March 23, 2022