

RECOGNITION OF APRIL 7-13, 2024, AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK
April 10, 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;

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

WHEREAS, libraries play a pivotal role in economic development by providing internet and technology access, supporting literacy skills, and offering resources and assistance for students, job seekers, entrepreneurs, and small businesses;

WHEREAS, libraries make choices that are good for the environment and make sense economically, creating thriving communities for a better tomorrow;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of South San Francisco does hereby proclaim National Library Week, April 7-13, 2024 and encourages all residents to visit their library and celebrate the adventures and opportunities libraries, librarians and library staff unlock for us every day.

James Coleman, Mayor

Eddie Flores, Vice Mayor

Mark Addiego, Councilmember

Mark Nagales, Councilmember

Buenaflor Nicolas, Councilmember

Dated: April 10, 2024