

Board of County Commissioners

PROCLAMATION



Whereas, libraries spark creativity, fuel imagination, and inspire lifelong learning, offering a space where individuals of all ages can find joy through exploration and discovery; and

Whereas, libraries serve as vibrant community hubs, connecting people with knowledge, technology and resources while fostering civic engagement, critical thinking and cultural enrichment, and protect the right to read, think and explore without censorship, standing as champions of intellectual freedom and free expression; and

Whereas, libraries provide 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, libraries nurture young minds through story times, STEAM programs and literacy initiatives—fostering curiosity and a lifelong love of learning—while partnering with schools, businesses and community organizations to expand access to essential services and strengthen the community; and

Whereas, libraries empower job seekers, entrepreneurs, and lifelong learners by providing access to resources, training, and opportunities that support career growth and economic success; and

Whereas, dedicated librarians and library workers provide welcoming spaces that inspire discovery, collaboration and creativity for all, and libraries, librarians and library workers across the country are joining together to celebrate National Library Week under the theme “Find Your Joy”; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of April 19 - 25 as:

National Library Week 2026

Dated this 14th day of April 2026.

Clara Andriola, Chair
Washoe County Commission

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