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2024 National Library Week Proclamation

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, often the heart of their cities, towns, schools, and academic campuses;

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, the PA Forward®, Literacy is POWER, initiative highlights how libraries and staffs encourage literacy in Basic, Information, Civic & Social, Health, and Financial, which contributes to greater personal and community success;

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' workers have worked to expand fluency in the digital literacy skills needed to navigate the online world which 21st century information exists;

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

WHEREAS, getting a library card is a financially literate action;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we the FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS proclaim National Library Week, April 7-13, 2024. During this week, I encourage all residents to visit their library and celebrate the adventures and opportunities they unlock for us every day. Ready, Set, Library!

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