



PROCLAMATION

National Library Week April 4 - 10, 2021

WHEREAS, today's libraries are more about what they can do with and for their communities, and not just about what they have on the shelves; and

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted institutions, often the heart of their cities, towns, schools, and academic campuses; and

WHEREAS, libraries serve people of all ages, interests and backgrounds providing the resources and space to engage in life-long learning; and

WHEREAS, libraries offer equipment and professional staff support to utilize technology, programs and services; often free or with nominal charges to users; and

WHEREAS, libraries are a resource for all - regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status; and

WHEREAS, we recognize library staff as information professionals who provide expertise, services and guidance for patrons to access credible sources and material, making their own informed decisions about the world today; and

WHEREAS, librarians thoughtfully develop collections and programs that are wide-ranging and explore the diversity of our changing society; and

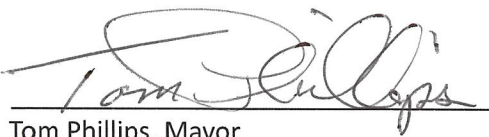
WHEREAS, America is celebrating National Library Week, including April 6 as National Library Workers' Day and the immeasurable contributions made by library workers and April 8 as Take Action for Libraries Day encouraging community support for libraries;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that We, the Norwalk, Iowa and Mayor Tom Phillips, proclaim National Library Week, April 4-10, 2021, in Norwalk, Iowa. During this week, we encourage all residents to visit our library, and explore all it offers to make our community stronger.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed.

Done at the City of Norwalk this 1st day of April, 2021.

Mayor:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Phillips", is written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the name "Tom Phillips, Mayor" is printed in a black, sans-serif font.

Tom Phillips, Mayor