

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 21

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 4TH TO APRIL 10TH AS
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

WHEREAS, libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools, and campuses, serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, libraries, like Pikes Peak Library District, are accessible and inclusive places that foster a sense of belonging and community; and

WHEREAS, today's libraries and their services extend far beyond the four walls of a building and everyone is welcome to use their resources; and

WHEREAS, for people lacking broadband at home, libraries provide access to computers and wi-fi, even checking out internet hotspots and laptops; and

WHEREAS, libraries strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve and ensure equity of access for all; and

WHEREAS, libraries offer opportunities for everyone to explore new worlds and become their best selves through access to technology, multimedia content, and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, in times of crisis, libraries, librarians, and library workers play an invaluable role in supporting their communities both in person and virtually; and

WHEREAS, to adapt to our changing world, libraries are expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their patrons; and

WHEREAS, libraries are cornerstones of democracy, promoting the free exchange of information and ideas for all; and

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 Pikes Peak Library District, through their 15 library facilities, mobile library services, and online resources; increased database and electronic usage, pivoted to virtual programming, and established curbside services;; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. April 4th to April 10th is recognized as National Library Week and during this week, all residents are encouraged to visit their library in person or online to access resources and services.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk