

Washoe County, Nevada

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April; and it is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support; and

WHEREAS, All types of libraries – school, public, academic and special – participate; and libraries are not just about what they have for people, but what they do for and with people; libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions; and librarians fuel efforts to better their communities, campuses and schools; and

WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians are looking beyond their traditional roles and providing more opportunities for community engagement and delivering new services that connect closely with patrons', students' and community needs; and

WHEREAS, Librarians continue to fulfill their role in leveling the playing field for all who seek information and access to technologies, especially as our society is at a critical juncture regarding the changing information landscape and the skills needed to thrive in our digital world; and

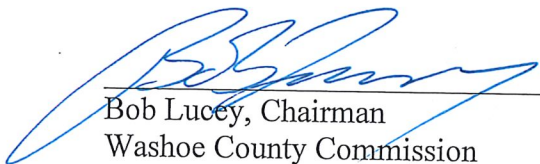
WHEREAS, Libraries work to serve all community members and support democracy and effect social change through their commitment to provide equitable access to information for all library users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 9-15, 2017 is

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and encourages all residents to visit the library, explore what's new, and engage with your librarian.

Dated this 21st day of March, 2017.


Bob Lucey, Chairman
Washoe County Commission

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