



Office of the Mayor

P r o c l a m a t i o n

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JERRY MOUTON, Mayor of the City of Deer Park, Texas, do hereby proclaim April 4-10, 2021 as:

“NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK”

I encourage all residents to visit their library online to access resources and services. Because of you, Libraries Transform lives and communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Deer Park to be affixed hereto this Fourth Day of April, Two Thousand and Twenty One, A.D.

**Jerry Mouton, Mayor
City of Deer Park, Texas**