
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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EVERETT AND REGAN, MARCH 18, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 18, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 10 through 16, 2016, as "National
2 Library Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" is a national observance
4 sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries
5 across the country each April; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" celebrates the valuable
7 contributions of libraries, librarians and library workers and
8 the services and resources they provide to people of all ages
9 throughout the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, All types of libraries across the country
11 participate, including school, public, academic and special
12 libraries; and

13 WHEREAS, Libraries are not just about what we have for people

1 but what we do for and with people: libraries have long served
2 as trusted and treasured institutions and library workers and
3 librarians fuel efforts to better their communities, campuses
4 and schools; and

5 WHEREAS, With the cooperation of the American Library
6 Association and with help from the Advertising Council, the
7 first "National Library Week" was observed in 1958 with the
8 theme "Wake Up and Read!"; and

9 WHEREAS, The 2016 theme, "Libraries Transform," highlights
10 where libraries and librarians are looking beyond their
11 traditional roles to provide more opportunities for community
12 engagement and deliver new services that connect closely with
13 patrons' needs, including opening up a world of possibilities
14 through innovative STEAM programming, Makerspaces, job-seeking
15 resources and the power of reading; and

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

21 WHEREAS, Libraries in Pennsylvania serve millions of visitors
22 and conduct programs for children, parents, entrepreneurs,
23 senior citizens and students; and

24 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" encourages all residents to
25 visit their local library to take advantage of the wonderful
26 resources and world of knowledge and opportunity offered to
27 them; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
29 week of April 10 through 16, 2016, as "National Library Week" in
30 Pennsylvania.