PROCLAMATION

National Library Week 2019 April 7-13, 2019

WHEREAS, today's libraries are not just about books but what they do for and with people;

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

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions where people of all backgrounds can be together and connect;

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians build strong communities through transformative services, programs and expertise;

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

WHEREAS, libraries promote civic engagement by keeping people informed and aware of community events and issues;

WHEREAS, librarians and library workers partner with other civic organizations to make sure their community's needs are being met;

WHEREAS, librarians are leaders in their institutions and organizations, in their communities, in the nation and in the world;

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians empower their communities to make informed decisions by providing free access to information;

WHEREAS, libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational resources that transform lives and strengthen communities;

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Plumsted, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey be it resolved that I [name, title of official] proclaim National Library Week, April 7-13, 2019. I encourage all residents to visit the library this week and explore what's new at your library and engage with your librarian. Because of you, libraries equal strong communities.

Jack A. Trotta, Mayor

Eric A. Sorchik, Deputy Mayor

Vincent Lotito, Committeeman

Herb Marinari, Committeeman

Larry Jones, Committeeman