

**In Recognition of  
National Library Week  
April 12-18, 2015**

WHEREAS, libraries promote unrestricted access to information and serve as centers for life-long learning; and

WHEREAS, libraries bring together community members to enrich and shape the community; and

WHEREAS, libraries endeavor to meet both the traditional and changing needs of their communities, providing resources and programs for all ages and backgrounds, developing adult, teen, and children's services both within and outside the library walls; and

WHEREAS, libraries offer a broad range of print and electronic materials, expert research, reader's advisories, and e-government and technology services, as well as programs vital to jobs, health, education, and other needs; and

WHEREAS, libraries continue to grow and evolve in order to keep pace with innovation and to provide leadership and guidance to their communities; and

WHEREAS, patrons, librarians, library staff, and Friends of the Library of the

- African-American Research Library and Cultural Center
- Fort Lauderdale Reading Center
- Galt Ocean Mile Reading Center
- Imperial Point Branch Library
- Main Library
- Riverland Branch Library
- Tyrone Bryant Branch Library

and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

NOW THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2015 as:

**National Library Week**

in the City of Fort Lauderdale and urge all residents to visit their local libraries to take advantage of the many resources and services available.

DATED this, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

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Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

