## **CITY OF WAYNESVILLE**



**WHEREAS,** libraries provide the opportunity for everyone to pursue their passions and engage in lifelong learning, allowing them to live their best life; and

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted institutions for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; 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 adapt to the ever-changing needs of their communities, continually expanding their collections, services, and partnerships; and

WHEREAS, libraries play a critical role in the economic vitality of communities by providing internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for job seekers, small businesses, and entrepreneurs; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries are accessible and inclusive places that promote a sense of local connection, advancing understanding, civic engagement, and shared community goals; and

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

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, 1, Sean A. Wilson, Mayor of the City of Waynesville, MO., do hereby proclaim April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29th, 2023 as:

National Library Week

and I urge all citizens to visit their library to explore the wealth of resources available.



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