



Select Board

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PROCLAMATION NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

April 23 – 29, 2023

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

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;

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;

WHEREAS, libraries adapt to the ever-changing needs of their communities, continually expanding their collections, services, and partnerships;

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;

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

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

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 that the Select Board does hereby proclaim April 23-29, 2023, as

National Library Week

in the Town of Stow and that all residents are encouraged to visit the Randall Library and to explore the wealth of resources available

*Signed this day, the 11th of April 2023 by
Members of the Select Board of Stow, Massachusetts*