Proclamation

by

Andy Bezhear Gobernor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Libraries provide opportunities for all Kentuckians to explore new ideas, expand their knowledge, and engage in lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Libraries have long served as welcoming spaces, open to everyone, and committed to providing resources and services that meet the needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky's libraries continue to evolve, offering expanded collections, technology, and programming to support education, workforce development, and personal growth; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky's libraries contribute to the economic vitality of the state by supporting job seekers, entrepreneurs, small businesses, and lifelong learners; and

WHEREAS, Libraries protect the right to read, think, and explore without censorship, standing as champions of intellectual freedom and free expression; and

WHEREAS, Libraries, librarians, and library staff across Kentucky will join together to celebrate Kentucky Library Week, April 6 -12, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim April 6-12, 2025, as

LIBRARY WEEK

in Kentucky, and encourage all Kentuckians to visit their libraries, participate in programs, and explore the wealth of resources available to them.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 28^{th} day of March, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Five and in the 233^{rd} year of the Commonwealth.

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