

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST BRADFORD
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION 23-13

A RESOLUTION OBSERVING NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

WHEREAS, first sponsored in 1958, "National Library Week" is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association across the country each April; and

WHEREAS, today's libraries are more about what they can do with and for their communities, and not just about what they have on the shelves;

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted institutions, often the heart of their cities, towns, schools, and academic campuses;

WHEREAS, libraries serve people of all ages, interests and backgrounds providing the resources and space to engage in life-long learning;

WHEREAS, libraries offer equipment and professional staff support to utilize technology, programs and services; often free or with nominal charges to users;

WHEREAS, libraries are a resource for all - regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status;

WHEREAS, we recognize librarians as information professionals who provide expertise, services and guidance for patrons to access credible sources and material, making their own informed decisions about the world today;

WHEREAS, libraries provide access to and display a wide range of information not just a majority opinion or single perspective;

WHEREAS, librarians hold the professional values of diversity, equity and inclusion to meet the needs of all users;

WHEREAS, the PA Forward®, Literacy is POWER, initiative highlights how libraries and staffs encourage literacy in Basic, Information, Civic & Social, Health, and Financial, which contributes to greater personal and community success;

WHEREAS, America is celebrating National Library Week including April 25 as National Library Workers' Day and the immeasurable contributions made by library workers; April 26 as National Outreach Day showing library services are not limited to their physical location; and April 27 as Take Action for Libraries Day encouraging community support for libraries;

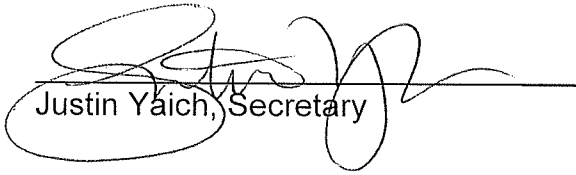
WHEREAS, we recognize Carol Klein and Jack M. Hines, Jr., serving as volunteer trustees of the Downingtown Library devoting time and energy to ensure the success of the library and are their integral part of reaching out to the community to identify services and resources that satisfy community needs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Bradford Township Board of Supervisors proclaim National Library Week, April 23-29, 2023 in West Bradford Township, Chester County. During this week, we encourage all residents to visit our libraries, and explore all that Downingtown and Coatesville Library offer to help move PA Forward®!

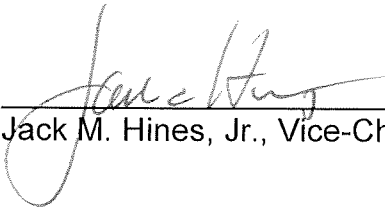
Resolved and adopted on this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST BRADFORD
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**


Justin Yaich, Secretary

Laurie W. Abele, Chair



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