

Mecklenburg County

North Carolina

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library serves as a vibrant community hub, connecting people with knowledge, technology, and resources; fostering civic engagement, critical thinking, and cultural enrichment; sparking creativity, fueling imagination, and inspiring lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, the Library provides free and equitable access to books, digital tools, and innovative programming; ensuring that all individuals-regardless of background-have the support they need to learn, connect, and thrive; protects the right to read, think, and explore without censorship; and stands as champions of intellectual freedom and free expression; and

WHEREAS, the Library partners with schools, businesses, and organizations to maximize resources, increase efficiency, and expand access to essential services; and

WHEREAS, the Library strengthens the entire community; empowers job seekers, entrepreneurs, and lifelong learners by providing access to resources, training, and opportunities that support career growth and economic success; and

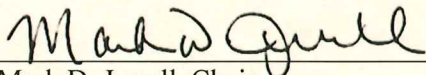
WHEREAS, the Library's dedicated workers provide welcoming spaces that inspire discovery, collaboration, and creativity for all; nurture young minds through storytimes, STEAM programs, and literacy initiatives; foster curiosity and a love of learning that lasts a lifetime, while offering a space where individuals of all ages can find joy through exploration and discovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim, April 19 - 25, 2026, as

“NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK”

in Mecklenburg County and encourage all residents to visit a Charlotte Mecklenburg Library branch, explore its resources, and celebrate all the ways that the library helps our community find joy.

This 21st day of April 2026



Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

