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Proclamation declaring April 4-10, 2021 to be National Library Week in Allegheny County.

**WHEREAS**, libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools, and campuses, serving their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries are accessible and inclusive places that foster a sense of belonging and community;

**WHEREAS**, today's libraries and their services extend far beyond the four walls of a building and everyone is welcome to use their resources; and

**WHEREAS**, for people lacking broadband at home, libraries provide access to computers and wi-fi, even checking out internet hotspots and laptops; 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**, 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; and

**WHEREAS**, in times of crisis, libraries, librarians, and library workers play an invaluable role in supporting their communities both in person and virtually; and

**WHEREAS**, to adapt to our changing world, libraries are expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their patrons; and

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

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

**WHEREAS**, America is celebrating National Library Week including April 6 as National Library Workers' Day and the immeasurable contributions made by library workers; April 7 as National Bookmobile Day showing library services are not limited to their physical location; and April 8 as Take Action for Libraries Day encouraging community support for libraries;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Allegheny County Council Member Tom Baker, do hereby proclaim **National Library Week, April 4-10, 2021 in Allegheny County**. During this week, we encourage all residents to visit our libraries, and explore all that they offer to help move PA Forward™!

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.