## Proclamation

## DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 21, 2023 AS NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK

*Whereas,* Friends of the Indian River County Library and Friends of the North Indian River County Library raise money that enables our library to move from good to great -- providing the resources for additional programming, much needed equipment, support for children's summer reading, and special events throughout the year;

Whereas, the work of the Friends highlights on a never-ending basis the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community, providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of life-long learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present;

Whereas, the Friends understand the critical importance of well-funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research, readers' advisory, and children's services:

Whereas, the Friends' gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all in how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community;

Now, Therefore, be it Proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County, Florida, that the week of October 15-21, 2023 be designated as National Friends of the Library Week in Indian River County, and the Board encourages everyone to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community so much better.

Adopted this 17th day of October, 2023.	INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
	Joseph H. Earman, Chairman
	Susan Adams, Vice Chairman
	Joseph E. Flescher
	Deryl Loar
	Laura Moss