

National Library Week – April 19-25, 2026

WHEREAS, National Library Week is a time to celebrate our nation’s libraries, recognize the invaluable contributions of library workers and volunteers, and encourage community members to explore and support the vital services libraries provide. The 2026 theme, “Find Your Joy,” highlights the many ways libraries spark curiosity, creativity, and connection in our communities; and

WHEREAS, in Napa County, more than 100 literacy volunteers meet regularly with adult learners to help improve reading and writing skills—opening doors to employment opportunities, educational advancement, and greater independence—while more than 20 teens generously donate their time to help develop programming, prepare for events, and tutor younger students, demonstrating leadership and strengthening a culture of service throughout Napa County; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Library organizations in American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, and Yountville, together with the Napa County Library Foundation, generously raise funds and provide vital volunteer leadership each year to support library programs, expand resources, and enhance services for residents throughout Napa County; and

WHEREAS, volunteers from Moving Forward Towards Independence, a local nonprofit supporting adults with developmental, learning, and autism spectrum disabilities, visit weekly to help ensure that the Napa library grounds remain inviting and well maintained, and many additional volunteers throughout Napa County generously contribute their time and talents to support programs, assist patrons, and help ensure that libraries remain welcoming, inclusive spaces where residents can gather, learn, and connect; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Napa, State of California, on this 14th day of April, does hereby recognize **April 19-25, 2026** as **National Library Week** in Napa County, and in doing so, we celebrate the countless ways that libraries enrich our community, foster lifelong learning, and provide inclusive spaces for connection, discovery, and empowerment for all; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that we reaffirm our commitment to supporting and strengthening our libraries as essential community resources, and we encourage all residents to celebrate National Library Week by visiting their nearest Napa County Library branch or exploring the many offerings available at napalibrary.gov, including books, audiobooks, e-books, classes, events, games, music, comics, online streaming, international newspapers and magazines, and the wide range of services that make the Napa County Library system such a valuable resource for our community.

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