## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF APRIL 9 – 15, 2017 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK 2017

WHEREAS, libraries are not just about what they provide for people, but how they assist in providing services to the community;

WHEREAS, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions, and library workers and librarians fuel efforts to better their communities, campuses and schools;

WHEREAS, librarians are organizers and information experts who for centuries have guided people to the best information resources. Librarians provide the expertise and services that add meaning to the facts they provide;

WHEREAS, librarians continue to fulfill the role in leveling the playing field for all who seek information and access to technologies and the skills needed to thrive in the digital world.

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians look beyond the traditional roles by providing opportunities for community engagement and delivering new services that connect closely with patrons' needs;

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians open a world of possibilities through innovative STEAM Programing, Makerspaces, job-seeking resources and the power of reading;

WHEREAS, libraries provide equitable access to information for all users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status;

WHEREAS, libraries work to serve all community members by offering services and educational resources that transform communities, open minds and promote inclusion and diversity;

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it hereby recognizes the week of April 9-15, 2017 as National Library Week by encouraging all residents to visit the library and explore what is new at the library.