



STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

- WHEREAS, Libraries provide free access to all – from books and online resources for families to library business centers that help support entrepreneurship and retraining; and*
- WHEREAS, Our nation’s school, academic, public and special libraries make a difference in the lives of millions of Americans, today more than ever; and*
- WHEREAS, Librarians are trained professionals, helping people of all ages and backgrounds find and interpret the information they need to live, learn and work in a challenging economy; and*
- WHEREAS, Libraries are helping level the playing field for job seekers, with 88% of public libraries providing access to job databases and other online resources; and*
- WHEREAS, Libraries are places of opportunity providing programs that teach all forms of literacy, promoting continuing education and encouraging lifelong learning; and*
- WHEREAS, In times of economic hardship, Americans turn to – and depend on – their libraries and librarians; and*
- WHEREAS, Libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week; and*
- WHEREAS, National Library Week is celebrated in Nebraska with recognition of the Library of Congress Center for the Book “Letters About Literature” State Award Winners:*

*Grace Doll for a letter to Willa Cather
 Frank Wickizer for a letter to Ernest Hemingway
 Megan Brookhouser for a letter to Jeannette Walls
 Grace Cai for a letter to Philip Pullman
 Arash Hamidi for a letter to Gene Luen Yang
 Timarree Speer for a letter to Beatrice Sparks*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dave Heineman, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of April 10 – 16, 2011, as

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

in Nebraska, and I do hereby encourage all citizens to visit the library this week to take advantage of the library resources available.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this Thirteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eleven.



Attest:

Jan D. Gale

 Secretary of State

Dave Heineman

 Governor