PROCLAMATION of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

## RECOGNIZING APRIL 9-15, 2017 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK IN MENDOCINO COUNTY

WHEREAS, libraries are not just about what we have for people, but what we do for and with people; and

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

WHEREAS, libraries are evolving in order to serve their communities and to continue to fulfill their role in leveling the playing field for all who seek information and access to technologies; and

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

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians are looking beyond their traditional roles and providing more opportunities for community engagement and deliver new services that connect closely with patrons' needs, and

WHEREAS, libraries support democracy and effect social change through their commitment to provide equitable access to information for all library users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby proclaims April 9-15, 2017, as: National Library Week in Mendocino County. We encourage all residents to visit the library this week and explore what's new at your library, and engage with your librarian. Because of you, Libraries Transform.

Dated: April 4, 2017

John McCowen, Chair

