

## City of Asvenport, Iowa Proclamation

The Davenport Public Library, along with libraries throughout the nation, provide the opportunity for individuals to pursue their passions and engage in lifelong learning; and

libraries have long served as trusted institutions for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; and

libraries strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve and ensure equity of access for all; and

libraries play a critical role in the economic vitality of communities by providing internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for job seekers, small businesses, and entrepreneurs, all while adapting to the ever-changing needs of their communities; and

libraries are accessible and inclusive places that promote a sense of local connection, civic engagement, educational programming, and shared community goals; and

libraries, library employees, and board trustees join library supporters and advocates across the nation to celebrate National Library Week; and

**Now therefore** we, Mayor Mike Matson and the City Council of Davenport, Iowa, do hereby proclaim April 23rd, 2023– April 29th, 2023 as

## **NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

in the City of Davenport and encourage all residents to visit their local library to explore the wealth of resources and programming available.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2023.

Mike Matson

Whereas.

Mayor of Davenport

Brian Krup

Deputy City Clerk