

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, libraries are essential institutions that offer the opportunity for everyone to connect with others, learn new skills, and pursue their passions, no matter where they are on life's journey; and

**WHEREAS**, librarians and library support staff bring the nation expert assistance, personal service and access to a wealth of resources and programs, both in person and online; and

**WHEREAS**, library professionals at thousands of academic, governmental, public, school, and specialized libraries in the United States provide this invaluable service to library users regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; and

**WHEREAS**, the library workers at the Salem Public Library tirelessly serve our community, enriching lives and fostering literacy and lifelong learning through their expertise and commitment; and

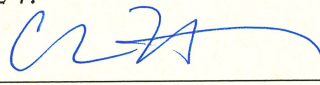
**WHEREAS**, the passion and dedication of library professionals contribute to the cultural enrichment, educational advancement, economic development, and social cohesion of our city; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chris Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, proclaim Tuesday, April 9, 2024, as

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WORKERS DAY

in Salem and I encourage all in this community to take advantage of the variety of library resources available and to thank library workers for their exceptional contributions to American life.

DATED this eighth day of April 2024.



Chris Hoy  
Mayor

