

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MN  
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2017-099  
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15-21, 2017  
AS FRIENDS AND FOUNDATION  
OF THE NORTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY WEEK.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Friends and Foundation of the Northfield Public Library is to raise awareness of and advocate for the Northfield Public Library, ensure financial support for the library and steward the Friends' funds, inform the community about library programs and services, and initiate activities and events to complement library programs, and

WHEREAS, Friends of the Northfield Public Library raised over \$800,000 to help finance the recent Library Improvement Project, and are supporting the purchase of and collection for a new bookmobile and the launch of the new book bike, and

WHEREAS, over the more than 30 years since its founding in 1982, the Friends have offered support that enables our library to move from good to great -- providing the resources for additional programming, much needed equipment, support for children's summer reading, and special events throughout the year, and

WHEREAS, the work of the Friends highlights on an on-going basis the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of life-long learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present, and

WHEREAS, the Friends understand the critical importance of well-funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research, readers' advisory, and children's services, and

WHEREAS, the Friends support many collaborative efforts in the community, including Sidewalk Poetry, the Northfield Poet Laureate, and provides scholarships to high school students who have volunteered or worked at the Library, and

WHEREAS, the Friends' gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all in how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THAT:

October 15-21, 2017 is hereby proclaimed Friends of Libraries week in Northfield, Minnesota and residents of Northfield are urged to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community so much better.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Northfield on this 17th day of October 2017.

ATTEST

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City Clerk

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Mayor

VOTE:     \_\_\_ POWNELL   \_\_\_ COLBY   \_\_\_ DELONG   \_\_\_ NAKASIAN  
          \_\_\_ NESS   \_\_\_ PETERSON WHITE   \_\_\_ ZWEIFEL