

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – OCTOBER 1, 2013

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PROCLAMATION – FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK

SOURCE: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/CITY CLERK DIVISION

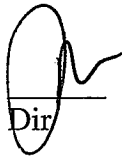
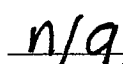
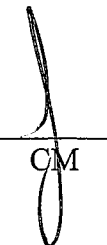
COMMENT: At its meeting of July 16, 2013, the Council amended the process by which proclamations are approved. The new process requires a majority of the Council to approve the request prior to a City proclamation being made.

The Porterville Friends of the Library have requested that the Council consider approval of a proclamation in support of Friends of Libraries Week. The Council has issued a proclamation in prior years for this event. If approved, it is requested that the proclamation be presented at the City Council Meeting of October 15, 2013.

For Council's information, the Council will be considering amending the process by which proclamations are approved during scheduled matters on this agenda. In the event the process is amended, the Council could, at its discretion, apply the amended process to this proclamation by removing it from the Consent Calendar for consideration at the end of the scheduled matters.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider the approval of the proposed Proclamation declaring October 21 – 27, 2013 as "Friends of Libraries Week."

ATTACHMENT: Proposed Proclamation

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DRAFT PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Friends of the Porterville Library raise money 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;

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;

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, adult literacy, and children's services;

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, I, CAMERON HAMILTON, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim October 21 – 27, 2013 as,

“FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK”

in the City of Porterville and urge everyone to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community so much better.

PROCLAIMED this 15th day of October, 2013.

Cameron Hamilton,
Mayor

Brian E. Ward,
Vice Mayor

Pete V. McCracken,
Council Member

Greg Shelton,
Council Member

Virginia Gurrola,
Council Member