

Proclamation

Friends of the Redwood City Public Library 50th Anniversary

WHEREAS, the Friends group was established by volunteers in 1972 and this year are celebrating their 50th Anniversary on June 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Redwood City Public Library operates the resale bookstore located in the lobby of the Downtown Library. Proceeds from donations and the sale of books, music and movies at the store and at community events around the city are the source of funding for a wide array of wonderful library programs; and

WHEREAS, "The Friends of the Redwood City Public Library have contributed over \$800,000 during the past decade to support beloved Library activities and events... Their support helps make RCPL the responsive, impactful, active community resource that it is, especially for the people who need us the most," says Library Director Derek Wolfgram; and

WHEREAS, they donate their time 365 days a year sorting, scanning, pricing and selling thousands of books, running the Downtown Library Bookstore, Redwood Shores Branch Library Book Kiosk and online book sales through Amazon and eBay plus staffing material donation events every month. The Friends also sell honey produced by our own RCPL bees. Their latest venture is an online published Honey Cookbook that you can download from their website for free and show your support by becoming a member at friendsofrwclibrary.org; and

WHEREAS, the Friends fund Library programs throughout the year, including the Summer Learning Challenge, author visits to local schools, Traveling Storytime, Little Learners, Music, Author Events, Book Clubs, Arts & Crafts, Cultural Events, Job Seeking, Discover & Go, and much more; and

WHEREAS, it is due to the Friends of the Redwood City Public Library hard work and passion for our library and its programs that we are able to provide the depth and breadth of programs and activities to our community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, GISELLE HALE, MAYOR OF REDWOOD CITY, on behalf of the City Council and the people of the City of Redwood City, do hereby celebrate June 12, 2022 as the the FRIENDS OF THE REDWOOD CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S 50th ANNIVERSARY in Redwood City.

Date: June 12, 2022




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