

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 17, 2018, as "Libraries Move PA Forward Day"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania libraries provide resources, staff and
4 expertise that uplift the communities that they serve; and

5 WHEREAS, Library resources may be accessed in person or
6 through online methods 24 hours a day, and building hours
7 include evenings and weekend availability; and

8 WHEREAS, Library resources range from internet and computer
9 access to curriculum-based courses, learning materials and
10 technology, including 3-D printers; and

11 WHEREAS, Professional librarians connect patrons with
12 programs, research and materials with equal access and
13 accessibility regardless of one's financial status; and

14 WHEREAS, Professional librarians are specially educated with
15 graduate degrees to encourage information literacy, research and
16 knowledge acquisition; and

17 WHEREAS, Librarians support all ages, including toddlers,

1 early learners, school age youths, teens, young adults, families
2 and senior citizens, with appropriate expertise and targeted
3 resources; and

4 WHEREAS, Librarians recognize that literacy is power and
5 encourage literacy in all fields, including general information
6 as well as civic, social, financial and health information,
7 through the PA Forward initiative and Star Library framework;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians are dedicated to enhancing
10 literacy though providing resources, programs, individual
11 training and working collaboratively with schools and
12 educational organizations, employers, employees, job-seekers and
13 government programs and resources; and

14 WHEREAS, Library staff in public, specialized, academic,
15 primary school and secondary school libraries across this
16 Commonwealth contribute and enhance the success of our
17 residents; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
19 17, 2018, as "Libraries Move PA Forward Day" in Pennsylvania;
20 and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge the
22 immeasurable contributions made by libraries and library workers
23 throughout this Commonwealth.