

A Proclamation of the Milton Library Trustees

13 September 2016

Whereas [Banned Books Week](#), started in 1982, is an annual celebration of the freedom to read that ends this year on 1 October 2016;

and

Whereas librarians, booksellers, teachers and countless others take this opportunity during [Banned Books Week](#) to highlight the importance of intellectual freedom and remind us not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted <http://www.ala.org/bbooks>;

and

Whereas [Teen Read Week](#), started in 1998, is celebrated the third full week in October every year – this year October 9-15, 2016: <http://teenreadweek.ning.com/>;

and

Whereas [Teen Read Week](#) is a national literacy initiative of the *Young Adult Library Services Association* that is aimed at teens, their parents, librarians, educators, booksellers and other concerned adults;

and

Whereas the continuing message of the [Teen Read Week](#) initiative is to encourage 12-18 year olds to "Read For The Fun Of It";

and

Whereas [National Friends of Libraries Week](#), on October 16-22, 2016, provide opportunities to celebrate Friends – promoting the group in the community, raising awareness and increasing membership and also giving libraries and boards of trustees the opportunity to recognize the Friends for their help and support of the library;

and

Whereas the *Milton Library Foundation* has chosen October for their House Parties to raise funds to support the **Milton Public Library**:

Be it resolved that the **Milton Library Trustees**:

Recognizes the enthusiastic, unfailing support of the **Milton Public Library** by

- ***the Friends of the Milton Public Library and***
- ***the Milton Library Foundation***;

and **declares**

October 2016 – Milton Public Library Month