## **RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - 67**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2014 LIBRARY APPRECIATION MONTH.

WHEREAS, Floridians clearly love their libraries, with more than 10 million Floridians holding library cards, visiting their libraries more than 87 million times, and borrowing more than 129 million items annually; and

WHEREAS, libraries help people of all ages and backgrounds find and interpret the information they need to live, learn, and work in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and

WHEREAS, libraries support a competitive workforce by providing online access to employment resources, reference materials for small businesses, and instruction in computer use and basic literacy; and

WHEREAS, university libraries contribute to high-tech economic development through support of research activity needed to attract high-tech businesses; and

WHEREAS, Floridians need access to information for their jobs, health education, and other daily living needs and rely increasingly on libraries for access to online services, including services of local, state, and federal governments; and

WHEREAS, libraries provide programs that help very young children develop early literacy skills during the most critical stages of brain development and equip parents and caregivers to be children's first teachers; and

WHEREAS, libraries help students in formal education from pre-school through college grow and develop as readers and consumers of information by helping them learn how to find, evaluate, and use information; and

WHEREAS, libraries help individuals to make informed decisions about their selfgovernance by promoting unrestricted access to information and serving as community centers for life-long learning.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this 16th day of April, 2014, that April 2014 be proclaimed at "Library Appreciation Month" in Nassau County, Florida.

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