

*City of Manhattan Beach, California*

# Proclamation

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK  
APRIL 13-19, 2008**

*WHEREAS, our nation's public, academic and school libraries provide information resources for library users nationwide no matter their age, income and socioeconomic background; and*

*WHEREAS, libraries play a vital role in providing millions of people with the resources they need to live, learn and work in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and*

*WHEREAS, libraries are changing and dynamic places and librarians help people of all ages find the information they need in print and online; and*

*WHEREAS, libraries are part of the American Dream – places for opportunity, education, self-improvement and lifelong learning; and*

*WHEREAS, libraries are key resources that promote intellectual freedom, provide equality of access, and narrow the “digital-divide”; and*

*WHEREAS, awareness and support must be increased for libraries, librarians and library workers by raising their visibility in a positive context and by communicating clearly and strongly why libraries are both unique and valuable and how librarians provide the information literacy skills that people need to succeed throughout life; and*

*WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week 2008.*

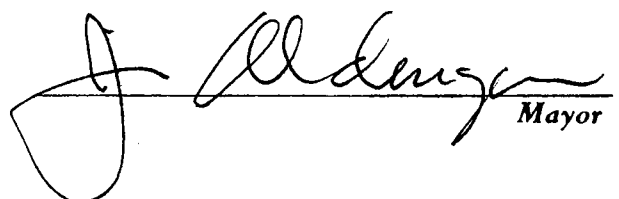
*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Manhattan Beach does hereby proclaim the week of April 13-19, 2008 as*

**“NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK”**

*and encourage all residents to take advantage of the variety of library resources available at their school, campus or public library. Librarians and library workers are commended for providing valuable services and making information accessible to all who enter the library. Visit your local library and see why there's something for everyone at your library.*

  
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City Clerk



  
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Mayor