

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, libraries are the heart of their communities, campuses and schools; and

WHEREAS, librarians work to meet the changing needs of their communities, providing resources for citizens of all ages and taking services outside of library walls; and

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians bring together community members to enrich and shape the community, address local issues, and promote civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, librarians are trained, tech-savvy professionals, providing technology training and access to downloadable and digital content, including e-books; and

WHEREAS, libraries offer programs and resources to meet community needs, providing local residents with access to e-government services, assistance and information for job-seekers, homework help for students, early literacy support for children and parents, and lifelong learning opportunities for adults; and

WHEREAS, libraries continuously grow and evolve in how they provide for the needs of every member of their communities; and

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 14-20, 2013 as

LIBRARY WEEK

in Vermont encourage all Vermonters to visit their library this week to take advantage of the vast array of library resources available in their communities and thank their librarians and library workers for making informational resources accessible to all who use the library



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 4th day of April, A.D. 2013

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Shumlin', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Shumlin
Governor