

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

***PROCLAMATION  
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH  
APRIL 2014***

WHEREAS, Preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Child maltreatment occurs when people find themselves in stressful situations, without community resources, and don't know how to cope; and

WHEREAS, The majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community; and

WHEREAS, All citizens should become involved in supporting families in raising their children in a safe, nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among families, social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia does hereby proclaim **April** as **Child Abuse Prevention Month** and calls upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and neglect and strengthening the communities in which we live.

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***PROCLAMATION  
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK  
APRIL 6-12, 2014***

**WHEREAS**, Established in 1974, National Volunteer Week has grown exponentially in scope each year since, drawing the support and endorsement of all subsequent U.S. presidents, governors, mayors and other respected elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, The entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through hundreds of community service organizations like, RSVP, HandsOn Network affiliates and volunteer centers; and

**WHEREAS**, Individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and

**WHEREAS**, During this week all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment to service; and

**WHEREAS**, The giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient; and

**WHEREAS**, Experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and

**WHEREAS**, Our country's volunteer force of over 63 million is a great treasure; and

**WHEREAS**, Volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia here proclaims **National Volunteer Week, April 6-12, 2014** in Montgomery County, and urges their fellow citizens to volunteer in their communities, by volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can come together to make a difference.

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***PROCLAMATION  
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK  
APRIL 13-19, 2014***

WHEREAS, Libraries help lives change in their communities, campuses and schools; and

WHEREAS, Librarians work to meet the changing needs of their communities, including providing resources for everyone and bringing services outside of library walls; and

WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians bring together community members to enrich and shape the community and address local issues; and

WHEREAS, Librarians are trained, tech-savvy professionals, providing technology training and access to downloadable content like e-books; and

WHEREAS, Libraries offer programs to meet community needs, providing residents with resume writing classes, 24/7 homework help and financial planning services to teens applying for student loans to older adults planning their retirement; 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, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby proclaims **April 13-19, 2014** as **National Library Week** and encourages all residents to visit their branch of the Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library this week to take advantage of the wonderful library resources available to them.

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