

WHEREAS, Friends of the Stillwater Public Library raise money that enables our library to transform lives-- providing the resources for additional programming, much needed equipment, support for summer reading, and special events throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Friends highlights on an on-going basis the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of life-long learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present; and

WHEREAS, the Friends understand the critical importance of well funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research, readers' advisory, and children's services; and

WHEREAS, the Friends' gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all in how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gina J. Noble, Mayor of the City of Stillwater, do hereby proclaim October 16-22, 2016, as "**FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK**" and urge everyone to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community better.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Stillwater to be affixed this 17th day of October, 2016.

GINA J. NOBLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH CHRZ, CITY CLERK