PROCLAIMING NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK FOR MARIN COUNTY

April 10-16, 2005

WHEREAS, the Marin County Free Library has been serving the people of Marin County since 1927; and

WHEREAS, the Marin County Free Library provides over 20,000 annual hours of public library service at its eleven branches: Bolinas Library, Civic Center Library, Corte Madera Library, Fairfax Library, Inverness Library, Marin City Library, Novato Library, Point Reyes Station Library, San Geronimo Valley Library, South Novato Library, Stinson Beach Library and 29 Bookmobile stops; and

WHEREAS, the Marin County Free Library loaned 1,409,470 books, periodicals, books on tape, videos and other library materials; answered 156,100 reference questions; and hosted 1,091,438 patron visits in fiscal year 2003/2004; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 the Marin County Free Library successfully witnessed the relocation of the South Novato Library to Hamilton; the construction of a parking lot expansion at the Corte Madera Library; received a grant from Marin First Five for outreach services to Latinos families in Novato; received a State Library grant to purchase more Spanish Language materials; expanded the Frank Lloyd Wright Digital Archives in conjunction with the 2004 Marin County Fair; and expanded online library services through the acceptance of credit cards for online payment of fees and fines; and

WHEREAS, the Marin County Free Library, in collaboration with MARINet, offers patrons remote access to nineteen electronic databases, including full-text materials from hundreds of magazines, journals, newspapers, e-books, book reviews, and statistical information sources to provide a wealth of information that can't be found through traditional library holdings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin hereby proclaims the week of April 10-16, 2005, as "National Library Week" and joins in observing the week with appropriate activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 29th day of March 2005, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS Charles McGlashan, Susan L. Adams, Steve Kinsey,

Cynthia L. Murray, Harold C. Brown, Jr.

NOES: SUPERVISORS None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS None