

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library is celebrating its 50th Anniversary as an all-volunteer non-profit community organization working to support and promote our libraries; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has provided essential advocacy and support for the establishment of three libraries in our city serving the growing population, young and old, and those of all economic means; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has donated over \$500,000 in the last ten years to provide materials, services, and programs to our community, including VOX Books, 3rd Grade Initiative, Kanopy, Brainfuse, Newsbank, Summer Reading Program, Sacramento Children's Museum passes, 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, Culture Without Borders, and Little Friends' Libraries for the City of Roseville Adventure Clubs; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has in the last ten years donated \$37,500 toward the purchase of a Library Bookmobile, given \$10,000 toward the publishing of a book on contemporary California Indian life and land, and provided \$26,525 to purchase the new Aspen Website Overlay for library circulation and cataloging, and in addition has awarded two scholarships annually to High School students in the past two years, and more recently commissioned a mural for the Riley Library; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has over the last ten years organized community events, which provide activities that connect the public with the libraries, including Pottermore, Tequila Mockingbird, Trivia Nights, Winter Wonderland, Beer with a Friend, and Adult Poetry Contests, has received five grants for the library, and has participated in fundraising events such as Day of Giving, Macy's Shop for a Cause and Holiday Giving Campaigns; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has, in the last ten years, participated in many community outreaches, showing support and advocating for the library, at events such as Family Fest, Earth Day, Wizard Fun Run, Run4Roseville, Steam in the Square, Summer Reading Kickoff, North Pole Tavern, Christmas Tree Grove at Town Square, and many others; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Roseville Library serves the community by operating three in-library bookstores, from which sales go directly to the libraries, and by holding five or more book sales each year, providing access to low-cost books and materials to families, teachers, homeschool parents and others, promoting literacy and the joy of life-long learning by providing free books and materials to those in need; and

WHEREAS, in the last ten years, the Friends of the Roseville Public Library has given the Roseville Public Libraries and the residents of Roseville, the gift of many thousands of volunteer hours in service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE, CALIFORNIA, that the **FRIENDS OF THE ROSEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY** be congratulated on their 50th anniversary and be commended for their support and advocacy of the City of Roseville's Library system.

SIGNED and APPROVED this 15th day of November 2023.



BRUCE HOUDSHELDT, MAYOR