



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a library card is the most important school supply of all; and

WHEREAS, signing up for a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, libraries play an important role in the education and development of children; and

WHEREAS, library programs serve students of all ages, from early literacy to homework help to GED classes; and

WHEREAS, librarians lead the way in creating inclusive spaces and developing diverse collections for children and people of all backgrounds to connect and learn together; and

WHEREAS, libraries bridge the digital divide by providing a full range of information and services to children and adult learners; and

WHEREAS, libraries continue to transform and expand their services in ways that meet the needs of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, libraries open a world of infinite possibilities through resources and services to help people pursue their passions and give students the tools to succeed in school and beyond; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary W. Waters, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Pelham, Shelby County, Alabama, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2019 as

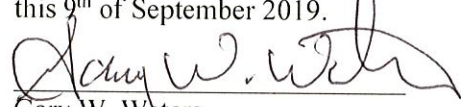
LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

in Pelham, Alabama.

FURTHERMORE, I encourage everyone to sign up for their own library card today.



Given under my hand,
in the City of Pelham, Alabama
this 9th of September 2019.


Gary W. Waters
Mayor