

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, A literate society is essential to economic and cultural development and South Dakota's libraries help build a literate society by enabling a love of reading and by providing easy access to quality books; and,

*Whereas*, South Dakota's libraries are multi-faceted resources for the communities they serve: providing access to information, programs, and other resources reflecting the interests and needs of their communities; and,

*Whereas*, South Dakota's libraries are survival kits for the 21<sup>st</sup> century: providing books and other resources in all formats for the convenience of users and providing access to authenticated and verified online information; and,

*Whereas*, Libraries lead the way in integrating past and present community information with the tools of modern technology: allowing access to vital resources online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and,

*Whereas*, Libraries enrich the lives of all South Dakotans, and are key resources for the life-long education of our citizens:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 10-16, 2011, as

*SOUTH DAKOTA LIBRARY WEEK*

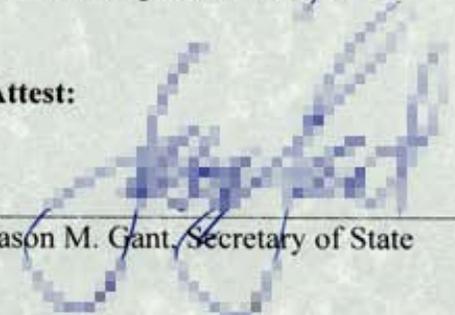
and I urge all citizens to recognize the many contributions that our South Dakota libraries have made to their schools, communities and state.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

**Attest:**

  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State