

## Proclamation

## 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA'S PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHEREAS, in March of 1923, the first iteration of the Sitka Public Library, located in the Russian school house, opened its doors; and

WHEREAS, the Sitka Public Library has now served the community for one hundred years and generations of dedicated staff, patrons and volunteers intend the institution to serve well into the future; and

WHEREAS, libraries enable individuals to make informed decisions about their self-governance and provide entry to important research about health, economics, housing, the environment and more by promoting unrestricted access to information to help people lead more productive and fulfilling lives; and

whereas, the library of the future will increasingly be a hub for accessing knowledge via hyper-connectivity, and will strive to partner with more organizations, engage with new audiences, and continue to ensure the library serves as a community center for lifelong learning and connection and is accessible and welcoming to all people; and

**WHEREAS,** in a world undergoing constant change, libraries provide enduring connections to the past, present, and future of our communities, nations and civilizations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka does hereby proclaim and celebrate the Sitka Public Library a "Place of Stories", for all.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** as Mayor of the City and Borough of Sitka that I do hereby affirm "The 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA'S PUBLIC LIBRARY."

Signed and sealed on this 14th day of February 2023.

Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, MMC Municipal Clerk