

**WHEREAS**, there are thousands of public, academic, school, governmental and specialized libraries in the United State, providing invaluable service to more than four million library users each year; and

**WHEREAS**, Mansfield is fortunate to have librarians and library support staff that bring a world of knowledge to their patrons each day and provide library users with the tools and knowledge they need to grow and be successful in today's complex world; and

**WHEREAS**, librarians and other library workers must be brought to the table at public policy discussions on key issues, such as intellectual freedom, equity of access, and narrowing the digital divide; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to recognize the unique contributions of all library workers and the value to individuals and society of those contributions; and

**WHEREAS**, libraries, library workers, and library supporters across America are celebrating National Library Workers Day sponsored by the American Library Association-Allied Professional Association (ALA-APA),

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, David L. Cook, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council to hereby proclaim April 9, 2019,

#### **NATIONAL LIBRARY WORKERS DAY**

and encourage the citizens of Mansfield to visit our public library and thank our librarians and library workers for the valuable contribution they make to our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.