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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT (BOSAIR)

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Award Type: Agenda Item

Is a Board Meeting Date Requested? Yes

Requested Board Meeting Date: 04/21/2026

Project Title / Description: National Library Week 2026

Agenda Item Report

Introduction / Background: Since National Library Week was first observed in 1958, communities have come together to celebrate the many ways in which libraries build community, connect people with knowledge, technology, and resources, and foster civic engagement and lifelong learning.

Discussion: Libraries are vital community institutions that provide free and equitable access to books, digital tools, and innovative programming, ensuring that all individuals, regardless of background, have the support they need to learn, connect, and thrive.

Recognizing National Library Week offers an opportunity to celebrate the ways in which libraries build community, provides information about all the programs, resources and services available to the public, and recognizes the many County staff that provide library services every day.

Conclusion: From April 19 to April 25, 2026, we recognize National Library Week in Pima County.

Recommendation: The Board of Supervisors proclaims April 19 through 25, 2026, as National Library Week in Pima County and encourages all residents to visit their library, explore its resources, and celebrate all the ways that the library draws us together as a community.

Fiscal Impact: None



Support of Prosperity Initiative: 2. Improve Quality of Life and Opportunity in High Poverty Areas

Provide information that explains how this activity supports the selected Prosperity Initiative Sharing information about libraries and what they offer encourages community members to access services, attend programs, and borrow materials, supporting their civic, educational and recreational needs and contributing to the well-being and growth of Pima County residents.

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, library service in Pima County began in 1883, 320,475 people are registered Pima County Public Library users, and nearly three million people visited the Library last year; and

WHEREAS, Pima County Public Library transforms lives by educating, inspiring, and connecting people; and

WHEREAS, the Library's 27 locations serve as vibrant community hubs, connecting people with knowledge, technology, and resources while fostering civic engagement, critical thinking, and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, the Library's collections provide free and equitable access to books, digital tools, and resources, ensuring that all individuals, regardless of background, have the support they need to learn, connect, and thrive; and

WHEREAS, over two million physical items and three million digital items circulate annually; and

WHEREAS, libraries empower jobseekers, entrepreneurs, and lifelong learners by providing access to resources, training, and opportunities that support tech literacy, career growth, and economic success; and

WHEREAS, libraries nurture young minds through storytimes, innovative programming, and literacy initiatives, fostering curiosity and a love of learning that lasts a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the Library offers over 10,000 innovative and engaging programs for patrons of all ages annually, including children's literacy, workforce development and adult literacy programs; and

WHEREAS, libraries protect the right to read and think without censorship, standing as champions of intellectual freedom and free expression; and

WHEREAS, libraries across the country are joining together to celebrate National Library Week under the theme "Find Your Joy."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of April 19 through April 25, 2026, to be:

"NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK"

and calls upon everyone in Pima County to celebrate the joy and wonder of libraries and to recognize the extraordinary impacts of all those that provide library services every day.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of April 2026.

The Honorable Jennifer Allen, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Melissa Manriquez, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors