



# Official Proclamation

## City of Hastings, Michigan Honoring Evelyn Holzwarth



- Whereas:** Evelyn began her career as Hastings Library Administrator in 2007 bringing an extensive background in library administration as well as two masters degrees in History and Archives and Library Science. She has received numerous certifications during her years of experience in other communities; and
- Whereas:** Evelyn's pleasant demeanor, positive attitude, ready smile, and willingness to lend a hand, make her a pleasure to be around both personally and professionally; and
- Whereas:** during her tenure, Evelyn initiated on-going staff training while encouraging her staff to become actively involved in the community. With her mentoring and guidance, her staff have become active members of many local service clubs and organizations. To her credit, the majority of the staff have been with her since she became director; and
- Whereas:** Evelyn has not only worked with and encouraged her staff to apply for various grants, but has personally assisted many community organizations with their grant applications. She was instrumental in the passing of the Hastings and Rutland Township library millage; and
- Whereas:** Evelyn has opened the library to community events like the Jazz Festival, helped initiate Art @ the Library as part of the Hastings Holiday celebration, and ensured the Library celebrated their 500,000 and 1,000,000<sup>th</sup> visitors. She has initiated enrichment programs for all age groups from preschool through adulthood; and
- Whereas:** Evelyn is a visionary and firm believer in planning ahead. A Wi-Fi lounge was made possible with donated funds, and she created a technology committee to ensure that as funds became available the various technologies could be updated. They have become the go-to place for Wi-Fi in the downtown. She helped the Library Board create a donor tree in the Community Room to honor those who have made the continued growth of the library possible.

Now Therefore I, Mayor Franklin L. Campbell, on behalf of the City of Hastings and the Hastings City Council, do hereby wish to recognize and express our appreciation to Hastings Library Administrator, Evelyn Holzwarth for her years of dedicated service to the City of Hastings and its citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Hastings, Michigan, to be affixed this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

  
Franklin L. Campbell, Mayor

  
Jeffrey Mansfield, City Manager