

Recognizing **THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY**

WHEREAS: The Friends of the Library have been in existence for 10 years and have contributed thousands of dollars to the Library since 2005; and

WHEREAS: The Friends of the Library raise money through membership drives and various fundraisers, including ongoing and special book sales to assist the Library financially; and

WHEREAS: The Friends of the Library were instrumental in assuring that the residents of Washington Township were provided with a larger Library by assisting with many advocacy efforts; and

WHEREAS: The Friends of the Library have made it possible to purchase staff awards, beautiful wall murals for the children's area and much more; and

WHEREAS: In September 2015, the Friends of the Library donated \$3,000 to the Library as a ten year anniversary gift for the purpose of buying board books for toddlers, fiction books for teenagers, and fiction books for adults that were added to the Library collection; and

WHEREAS: The Friends of the Library recently purchased a bronze sculpture for the Library that features two children reading on a bench that will be installed in front of the Library in celebration of the Library's 50th year anniversary in 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, on this 28th day of October 2015, I, Barbara A. Wallace, Mayor of Washington Township, and with the support of the Washington Township Council, thank and commend the Friends of the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library for their contributions, loyalty and faithful service to the Library.