WHEREAS, libraries serve as community resources for children and families; and

WHEREAS, children develop literacy skills and form a life-long love of reading at libraries; and

WHEREAS, libraries provide free opportunities for children and families to enjoy engaging programs and a diverse array of materials and services; and

WHEREAS, libraries strive to inform children and families of resources and services available to them that will enrich, educate, and entertain citizens; and

WHEREAS, Take Your Child to the Library Day, founded in 2011 by Connecticut librarians, Nadine Lipman and Caitlin Augusta, and Connecticut author/illustrator, Nancy Elizabeth Wallace, is now celebrated in 144 Connecticut towns, 46 US states and three countries; now

THEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim Saturday, February 6, 2016 to be

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY
in the State of Connecticut.