



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 18, 2003

Council Session

## Item C4

### **Proclamation "National Children's Book Week" November 17-23, 2003**

*National Children's Book Week is a time-honored tradition. Celebrated since 1919, it is dedicated to spreading the word about children's literature and encouraging the joys of reading. Annually, the week before Thanksgiving, the Grand Island Public Library and area schools and libraries applaud books and reading through a variety of activities. This year's Children's Book Week will be observed from November 17th through the 23rd with the theme "Book Time" and the entire community is encouraged to "book time" at the public library and join in the celebration. The Mayor has proclaimed November 17-23, 2003 as "National Children's Book Week". See attached PROCLAMATION.*

Staff Contact: Mayor Vavricek

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
City of Grand Island  
State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK will be observed and celebrated by local librarians, media specialists, families and other members of the community from November 17<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Book Council will serve as sponsor of this national celebration for the 84<sup>th</sup> year with its theme of "Book Time"; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Library Association, the Nebraska Educational Media Association and the Nebraska Library Commission recognize the importance of this celebration and promote and support it accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Public Library is being transformed into a Family Place in recognition of the importance of families reading and learning together as a basic building block towards their children's future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Vavricek, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the week of November 17<sup>th</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2003 as

***"NATIONAL CHILDREN'S  
BOOK WEEK"***

in the City of Grand Island, and I urge all citizens to "book time" at the public library and join in the celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Three.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk