

Proclamation



DÍA-CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY

APRIL 30, 2012

WHEREAS, early literacy programs help to encourage children to develop pre-reading skills and a love for reading; and

WHEREAS Día-Children's Book Day is a nationally recognized program of the American Library Association that celebrates children of all backgrounds and promotes literacy; and

WHEREAS, since April 2009, the DC Public Library has sponsored a week-long celebration of events for Día-Children's Book Day and has been committed to advocating for the literacy of all children through its collection of books, online databases and programs; and

WHEREAS, this day provides an opportunity for all citizens of our community to learn about, appreciate and explore other cultures through reading and literacy activities:

NOW THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2012, as "DÍA-CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY" in Washington, D.C. and call upon all the residents of this great city to celebrate the joy of reading with our youth.

Vincent C. Gray

