



**CHARLIE CRIST**  
GOVERNOR

***LIBRARY APPRECIATION MONTH***

**WHEREAS, libraries help people of all ages and backgrounds find and interpret the information they need to live, learn and work in the 21st century; and**

**WHEREAS, libraries provide a wide variety of services to all ages, including access to print and electronic materials, expert assistance in research, reader's advisory and children's services; and**

**WHEREAS, libraries help individuals to make informed decisions about their self-governance by promoting unrestricted access to information and serving as community centers for life-long learning; and**

**WHEREAS, libraries support a competitive workforce with basic literacy programs, computers and other resources to help children and adults learn to find, evaluate and use information for their jobs, health education and other needs; and**

**WHEREAS, libraries play a vital role in supporting the quality of life in their communities promoting literacy among people of all ages as well as making a vital contribution to the historical preservation process; and**

**WHEREAS, libraries further the expansion of electronic networks making possible better and more easily accessible information around the world;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charlie Crist, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing April 2010 as *Library Appreciation Month*.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the year two thousand ten.**

  
Governor