



**PROCLAMATION 23-003
RECOGNIZING THE CAREER AND CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE RETIRING TOWN OF SCARBOROUGH
LIBRARY DIRECTOR NANCY E. CROWELL**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Town of Scarborough, Maine, in Town Council assembled, that,

WHEREAS, from time to time the extensive contributions to the Town of Scarborough by a particular individual are so outstanding as to warrant special recognition and honor; and,

WHEREAS, Nancy E. Crowell, retiring Library Director of the Town of Scarborough, has served the Community for the last 45 years and is well respected by fellow employees, volunteers, residents, and surrounding communities; and,

WHEREAS, her career began at a time when books were rubber date stamps and the technologies with VHS and Betamax tapes; and

WHEREAS, under Nancy's leadership the Library has grown to become an integral part of the town's fabric, becoming a center for children, adults, and retirees to not just browse and read, but also to gather and take advantage of the Library's many resources; and,

WHEREAS, during her tenure Nancy has seen tremendous changes, not only in how library services are delivered, but in how libraries are perceived within the communities they serve. In her own words: *"21st-century libraries are the heart of their communities. They are equalizers. They are learning centers. They are business partners. They are advocates for strong schools. They are champions of community organizations. They are resilient. And most, importantly, they are essential."*; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Scarborough Town Council, in Town Council assembled, that the Town of Scarborough does hereby recognize retiring Library Director, Nancy E. Crowell for her legacy of service to the Town of Scarborough and surrounding communities, expressing our deepest appreciation for her dedication and commitment to the citizens of the Town of Scarborough and extend our best wishes for many years of happiness in the future.

Signed and sealed this 6th day of September, 2023, on behalf of the Scarborough Town Council of Scarborough, Maine.

Signed by: /s/ Jonathan E. Anderson
 Council Chair

Signed by: /s/ Thomas J. Hall
 Town Manager

Attested by: /s/ Yolande P. Justice
 Town Clerk