



Proclamation

THE BIG READ 2017: "Silver Sparrow" by Tayari Jones

WHEREAS, The Big Read is designed to restore reading to the center of American culture and provides our citizens with the opportunity to read and discuss a single book within our community; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library invites all book lovers to participate in the Big Read that will be held throughout March 2017. The library's goal is to encourage all residents of Central Virginia to read and discuss "Silver Sparrow" by Tayari Jones; and

WHEREAS, the novel takes place in 1980s Atlanta and examines the lives of two teenage girls and their families, connected by their father, who is married to each of their mothers; and

WHEREAS, the Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest, and is supported by the Art and Jane Hess Fund of the Library Endowment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Diantha McKeel, Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County, proclaim the Big Read during March 2017 and encourage all residents to read "Silver Sparrow" during this time.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of March, 2017

Diantha McKeel, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors