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The White House, Washington, April 8, 1975 - Libraries have throughout our nation's history been much relied upon repositories of human knowledge and experience. I welcome this opportunity to join with the American Library Association in the traditional celebration of National Library Week. I encourage all Americans to participate with us in this observance.

This year's theme, "Information Power", carries with it an invitation for every library to seek to improve, equalize and make more accessible its services to all.

The growing expectation in our society for both professional specialization and rapid adaptability to change make readily available information a top priority in our daily lives. Expanded information services give new meaning and purpose to all of us and stimulate a greater release of the energy resources that ensure our vitality as a nation.

I ask every state and local community to honor the 1975 Library Week's commitment to "Information Power". It is the power to move ahead for the good of all.

Gerald R. Ford