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Celebrate National Library Week with New Americans

-NEWS ADVISORY-

(April 10, 2018 — Hartford, CT) — Hartford Public Library, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, and Connecticut's Peer Libraries Citizenship Coalition invite the community and the media to a U. S. Naturalization Ceremony as a way to honor National Library Week — April 8-14.

WHO:

- 50 New American Citizens
- Nancy Wyman, Lieutenant Governor
- Denise W. Merrill, Secretary of the State
- The Honorable Vanessa L. Bryant, United States District Judge
- Bridget Quinn-Carey, CEO, Hartford Public Library
- Dr. Bruce T. Liang, Dean, UConn School of Medicine
- Ethan Enzer, Section Chief, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

WHAT:

This is one of six ceremonies at public libraries across the state where applicants for citizenship will take the Oath of Allegiance. The pageantry includes:

Presentation of our Nation's Colors Singing of our National Anthem

Welcoming Remarks
Oath of Allegiance
Pledge of Allegiance
Congratulatory Remarks
Distribution of Certificates

WHERE: Hartford Public Library Atrium

500 Main Street, Downtown Hartford

WHEN: Thursday, April 12, 2018

11 a.m. Ceremony 12 p.m. Reception

WHY:

The Peer Library Citizenship Collaborative (PLCC) is a partnership committed to sharing information, resources, and best practices in order to increase their ability to better serve immigrants in their local communities. These ceremonies provide a way to welcome new citizens and to celebrate the educational and cultural opportunities available to everyone at the library.

^{***}Please note – this event can be filmed for a later broadcast but not live streamed.***