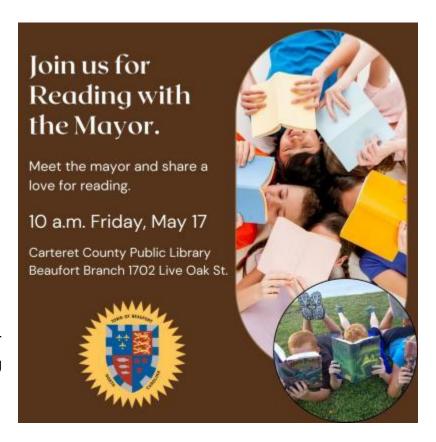
## **Reading with the Mayor**

It's undeniable that a child's reading skills are important to their success in school, work, and life in general. And it is very possible to help ensure a child's success by reading to them starting at a very early age. As a child, my mother always emphasized the importance of reading. She would always say to me "readers are leaders" and that has proven to be very true.

Among my many duties as Mayor, I am starting a reading initiative called "Reading with the Mayor." I want to share my love for reading with our youth while making reading special. The simple task of reading aloud to a child can significantly benefit a child's life and it can be lots of fun!



## Mayor Sharon E. Harker

Upcoming Reading with the Mayor Events:

Join Mayor Harker at the Carteret County Public Library Beaufort Branch on Friday, May 17, 2024 for Story Time.