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**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY/CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, September 20, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
Harold Washington Library Center
400 South State Street
Multi-Purpose Room, Lower Level

1. Approval of the June 21, 2011 Board meeting minutes. **(action required)**
2. Commissioner's report **(info. only)**
3. Report of the Committee on Administration and Finance
 - Schedule of Contracts and Requisitions **(none)**
 - FY2012 Illinois Public Library Per Capita grant application approval **(action required)**
 - CPL 2012 Budget update **(info. only)**
4. Report of the Committee on Facilities
 - Capital Projects Report **(info. only)**
 - Albany Park **(info. only)**
5. Chicago Public Library Foundation
6. Board Education Session:
 - Summer Reading Program,
Bernadette Nowakowski, Director of Children and Young Adult Services



7. Other Business

- Retirements: Mae F. Sisney (40 years), Diana Williams (39 years), Jimmy Markcom (36 years), Lois J. Williams (30 years), Charles Hoover (27 years), Janice M. Alfred (27 years), Lora D. Killingsworth (26 years), Jeannie K. Cho (26 years), Kurisunkal T. Joseph (26 years), Daniel Davey (24 years), Eileen Conroy-Gilhooly (18 years), James A. Gilgis (18 years) Cosme Llinas (18 years)

8. Questions and comments from the audience

9. Executive Session: CPL 2012 Budget

Next Board meeting: Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
 Harold Washington Library Center
 400 S. State Street
 Multi-Purpose Room



September 20, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library was convened by Board President Jayne Thompson at 8:35 a.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2011 in the Harold Washington Library Center's Multi-Purpose Room.

The following Directors were present:

Present: Jayne C. Thompson, President
Cristina Benitez
Josephine Gómez
Susan S. Hassan
Judith C. Rice
Cherryl T. Thomas, VP
Christopher P. Valenti, Secretary
Julia Zhu

Absent: Israel Idonije

Also in attendance were Commissioner Mary Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Assistant Commissioners Brenda McGlohon, Laura Zupko, and Amy Eshleman and other members of the Library staff.

Others: Kevin Hall, AIA, Public Building Commission

Members of the Public: Reverend Doyle Landry, patron

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the Library Board's June 21, 2011 meeting.



President Thompson reported that the City Council confirmed the appointments of two new Library Board members, Ms. Josephine Gómez and Mr. Israel Idonije. Ms. Gomez is the Campus Director of Education at UNO - Dr. Hector P. Garcia Charter High School and Mr. Idonije is a defensive lineman of the Chicago Bears and President and CEO of The Israel Idonije Foundation.

President Thompson welcomed Director Gomez. Director Gomez gave a background of her current affiliation.

II. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Mary Dempsey reported the following:

- The Richard M. Daley branch opened for public service on July 8, 2011 and was dedicated on July 28, 2011. Mayors Rahm Emanuel and Richard Daley and his family along with many community representatives and patrons attended the dedication. Over 10,000 people visited the branch during the first three weeks of public service. Workshops for the branch's YOUMedia space are underway as well as at the Thurgood Marshall and Lozano Branch libraries.
- Finish work is underway at the new Little Village branch. Staff are now on site and awaiting dedication date from the Mayor's Office. The Library hopes to dedicate the branch in conjunction with the Chicago Fire Department as it opens its new station for Engine 109.
- The Chicago Public Library concluded its Summer Reading Program, ***Book Beats***, on August 6, 2011. Children and Young Adult Services Director Bernadette Nowakowski will report on the program later during this meeting.
- The Chicago Public Library launched the 10th anniversary edition of its ***One Book, One Chicago*** program on August 17, 2011. This fall's title is Saul Bellow's, *The Adventures of Augie March*.
- The Chicago Public Library is featuring the following programs in October and November 2011:
 - * On September 25, at 2:00 p.m.: Janis Freedman Bellow, widow of Saul Bellow, will appear in the Pritzker Auditorium in conversation with scholar Jonathan Wilson, about their recent book, *Saul Bellow: Letters*.



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- * On September 26, Victory Gardens Theater will stage a reading from *The Adventures of Augie March* with actors from Victory Gardens, Steppenwolf, Lookingglass and Teatro Vista.
- * October 13: Author Stuart Dybek and other writers will read from *The Adventures of Augie March* at Stop Smiling storefront at 1371 N. Milwaukee Avenue.
- * October 18: Martin Amis will appear in Pritzker Auditorium in conversation with Sun Times publisher John Barron about his friend Saul Bellow.
- * Over 600 tickets with gross revenue in excess of \$1 million have been sold so far for the October 20 Carl Sandburg Literary Awards dinner at the UIC Forum. The Foundation will honor film critic Roger Ebert with the Sandburg Award and Rebecca Skloot, author of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* will be presented with the 21st Century Award.
- * One Book, Many Interpretations exhibit is open on the 9th floor of the Harold Washington Library Center. The exhibit will be available for viewing through April 15, 2012.
- Author events in the Harold Washington Library Center's Cindy Pritzker Auditorium:
 - 📖 Cathy N. Davidson will talk about her book *Now You See It: How the Brain Science of Attention will Transform the Way We Live, Work, and Learn* on October 4 at 6:00 p.m.
 - 📖 Lisa Randall, Harvard professor and author of *Knocking on Heaven's Door: How Physics and Scientific Thinking Illuminate the Universe and the Modern World* will talk about her book at 6:00 pm. on November 1.
 - 📖 Steven Pinker will talk about his book *The Better Angels of Our Nature: Why Violence Has Declined*, at 6:00 p.m. on October 13.

Commissioner Dempsey reported that the Chicago Public Library has been working on its 2012 budget and has been asked by the City to make some significant cuts. The City has a \$653 million budget gap that it is attempting to fill. The Library will continue to work with the Office of Budget and Management on this effort.



III. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Board President Thompson announced that Director Cherryl Thomas has agreed to serve out the remainder of former Director Dykstra's term as Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee beginning with the October 2011 meeting.

President Thompson gave the report for the Administration and Finance Committee. The Committee met at the Harold Washington Library Center on Tuesday, September 13, 2011. There was no Schedule of Contracts and Requisitions for the month of September 2011. Minutes of the Committee's June 13, 2011 were approved.

President Thompson reported that Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel presented the Chicago Public Library's FY2012 Public Library Per Capita grant application for the Committee's review and recommendation to the Board that it approve. The application was sent to all members of the Library Board for review and comment before today's meeting. The application is the same as those that were submitted in prior years with the exception of two items that require specific attention and affirmation by the Board.

Deputy Commissioner Biel briefly explained that the grant will support the payroll and benefit costs for staff members in a variety of service areas. The amount the Library expects to receive will be similar to what it has received in the past and is based on the city's population. The 2010 census count shows that the City of Chicago's population dropped over 200,000 so the amount the Library receives can potentially be slightly reduced from what it has received in the past. The Library will not know how much until the application has been received by the State, but anticipates it to be around \$2.9 million.

Director Valenti asked about the timing of Cook County's reporting on assessed property values. Ms. Biel responded that the County's assessment is not completed until after submission of the application. However, the Library has received verbal and written confirmation that it is acceptable to submit the application without the County information and to provide the information when the Library receives it from the County.

President Thompson directed the Board's attention to questions 6 and 9 and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, President Thompson moved that the Board approve submission of the FY2012 Illinois Public Library Per Capita grant application. The motion was seconded and passed on the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Benitez, Hassan, Rice, Thomas, Thompson, Valenti, Zhu, Gomez
Nays: None



President Thompson reported that Ms. Biel reported on the status of the outstanding grant payments from the State. The capital grant balance is \$1.7 million, FY2011 is \$509,487.30 and FY12 is \$6,702,370.14. The Library has regular conversations with the State and City Comptroller's office regarding collections and recent payments the State has made on the outstanding balances.

President Thompson reported that Margaret Bresnahan, a Library employee, attended the meeting because of her interest in the status of State funding.

President Thompson reported that the Administration and Finance Committee went into Executive Session for a briefing on the status of the Library's budget preparation. The Board will be updated during Executive Session at the end of today's meeting.

IV. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Director Christopher Valenti gave the report of the Facilities Committee (Attachment A). The Committee met at the Clearing Branch library on September 14. The minutes of the Facilities Committee's June 15, 2011 meeting were approved.

Director Valenti reported that, at the request of Commissioner Dempsey, the meeting proceeded out of order and began with the report on the façade at the Woodson Regional Library, which has some structural issues and failing masonry and steel.

Director Valenti reported that Marjorie Brownstein, Deputy Commissioner, Facilities, Department of General Services, gave an update on the status of their evaluation of the structure. Ms. Brownstein reported that she had read the October 2010 façade study done by Rubinos & Mesia Engineers, which suggests a series of repairs. Since Rubinos & Mesia's initial study is over a year old and some remedial work has since been done, the Department of General Services has re-commissioned them to inspect the façade. A draft report of that inspection is expected next week.

Director Valenti reported that the Committee members expressed their concern about the integrity of the building and the health and safety of patrons and staff. Ms. Brownstein reported to the Committee that architects and engineers with the Department of General Services inspected the cracked façade and removed some rusted steel sheet metal plates, which she referred to as ornamental and not structural and had deteriorated over time. The Committee suggested to Ms. Brownstein that they inspect the structure further because of visual structural deterioration and problems suggested in the first report. Ms. Brownstein had not read the Public Building Commission's recent report on the façade. A copy of that report has been sent to her Commissioner and Ms. Brownstein stated that she would review it.



Director Valenti reported that there was some conversation regarding the service that is listed on the RFP (Request for Proposal) for the project. Ms. Brownstein reported to the Committee that the RFP is for remedial repair of the façade. The Committee and Commissioner Dempsey suggested that they look at the Public Building Commission's report, and Commissioner Dempsey made a point that no work should be undertaken until the Library is fully apprised of its findings and is part of the decision making process.

President Thompson stated that the Committee emphasized its primary concern that the building be accurately assessed in terms of safety.

Director Valenti highlighted the following from the report:

1. **Richard M. Daley Branch.** This 16,295 square foot branch at 727-743 N. Kedzie Avenue was dedicated on and opened for public service on July 28, 2011. A handful of punch list items remain.
2. **Greater Grand Crossing Branch.** This 8,871 square foot branch was dedicated and opened for public service on Saturday, April 23, 2011. Construction of the reading garden is underway.
3. **Dunning Branch.** This 8,871 square foot branch was dedicated and opened for public service on Friday, May 6, 2011. A handful of punch list items remain.
4. **Little Village.** Construction and landscaping at this 16,295 square foot Lohan prototype branch project at 2343 S. Kedzie Avenue is complete. Library staff are in the building shelving, and receiving materials and furniture. The Library anticipates opening the branch on October 1, 2011 in conjunction with the City's Fire Department that will open its new fire station that day.

Director Valenti reported that the Library reported on the status of the following projects that are in the planning stages:

Projects in the planning phase:

- Humboldt Park library 5,000 square foot expansion with TIF funds: This project is in the pre-bid phase. Architectural plans are 90% complete. Construction bid is expected to go out October 17. Construction to begin sometime thereafter
- Edgewater: Lohan Anderson's new 2-story design will be used for this project. Construction documents are expected to go out for bid September 30. Demolition of the former branch will be started this week.
- Whitney Young: This will be a new 16,295 square foot, single level structure to replace the current small facility. Environmental remediation of underlying soil, which will take 18-24 months, will begin in the spring of 2012.
- Daley: A new 16,295 square foot replacement for the current Richard J. Daley Branch. The alderman has approved the use of TIF funds for the construction of this branch. Demolition of the neighboring used furniture store has been completed.



- Albany Park: TIF funds will be used for the construction of this 16,295 square foot Lohan Anderson design. Public Building Commission approved the site designation and formulation letter request at its Board meeting on September 13. Next steps: appraisals and acquisition.
- Independence Branch. No changes to report on this project. Funding for land in consultation with the area's alderman, state representative, and community groups is still being evaluated.
- Chinatown Branch: No changes to report on this project.
- Back of the Yards. No changes to report on this new 16,295 square foot building to replace a storefront facility that closed August 22 due to continued flooding and sewer backup. Funding is not in place.

Director Valenti reported that Clearing Branch Manager Rob Bitunjac, a dedicated and valued 20 year Chicago Public Library employee, gave a brief report on the branch, its community and programs.

Director Dempsey reported that in 2010, at the request of the Chicago Police Department, an 8th District Police satellite office for reporting non-violent crimes was established in a room in the Clearing Branch.

Director Valenti reported that the Committee viewed pictures of the landscape and green roof work currently underway at the Greater Grand Crossing Branch.

V. FOUNDATION REPORT

Board President Thompson gave the report for The Chicago Public Library Foundation (Attachment B).

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Bernadette Nowakowski, Director of Children and Young Adult Services, gave a report on the Chicago Public Library's 34th annual Summer Reading Program, *Book Beats* (Attachment C). This year's program surpassed all prior summer reading programs with an increase of 17% in participants and books read. More than 58,000 children participated in the program and read 1.4 million books. Ms. Nowakowski's report included comparative statistics for 2010 and 2011 and



reported on new partnerships with the Chicago Public Schools for the program at summer school locations grades for grades 1-3. For the first time, 150 Chicago Public Schools, through federal funding, used the Book Beats theme as the curriculum at 150 Chicago Public Schools summer school locations. Forty-five children from each school (15 children from each grade, kindergarten through second grade) participated in the program.

President Thompson thanked Ms. Nowakowski for her Summer Reading Program effort. Ms. Nowakowski thanked President Thompson, and acknowledged the efforts of the entire Children and Young Adult Services systemwide staff for their hard work during the program.

Commissioner Dempsey presented the retirement resolutions for Mae F. Sisney (40 years), Diana Williams (39 years), Jimmy Markcom (36 years), Lois J. Williams (30 years), Charles Hoover (27 years), Janice M. Alfred (27 years), Lora D. Killingsworth (26 years), Jeannie K. Cho (26 years), Kurisunkal T. Joseph (26 years), Daniel Davey (24 years), Eileen Conroy-Gilhooly (18 years), James A. Gilgis (18 years); and Cosme Llinas (18 years).

VII QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Reverend Doyle Landry, a member of the audience, expressed his delight with the dedication of the Richard M. Daley Branch in July. Reverend Landry stated that his newest initiative is to honor the work of Chicago Police officers.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:43 a.m., President Thompson moved pursuant to Section 2A of the Open Meetings Act to have the Board go into Executive Session to discuss a matter related to personnel. The motion was seconded and passed.

All were excused from the meeting with the exception of the Board members, less Director Josephine Gomez who had to leave due to previous commitment. Commissioner Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Finance Director Joselyn Bell, and Human Resource Director Jennifer Ross remained.

The Executive Session ended at 10:38 a.m.



OPEN SESSION

The members of the Board and Commissioner Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Finance Director Joselyn Bell, and Human Resource Director Jennifer Ross returned from the Executive Session portion of the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Christopher P. Valenti
Secretary



Attachment A
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**Report on CPL Capital Projects for September 2011
Prepared for the Facilities Committee**

I. Summary Report:

Number of Buildings under Construction	1
Little Village Branch	
Number of buildings at a preconstruction phase	2
Humboldt Park Branch Expansion	
Edgewater Branch	

II. New Buildings:

(1) Richard M. Daley Branch: 733 North Kedzie Avenue

The branch is a single story 16,295 sq. ft. building.

Work Completed Since the June Report:

The building had a soft opening prior to its public dedication on July 28, 2011. Present were Mayors Rahm Emanuel and Richard M. Daley.

As of September 1, twenty-eight minor punch list items remain to be attended to. The majority of these items are millwork, landscaping and cracked concrete. Steady progress is being made in completing this work. The application to the U.S. Green Building Council for a LEED Gold Certificate has not yet been made.

(2) Greater Grand Crossing Branch: 1000 East 73rd Street

The Greater Grand Crossing library, 8,871 sq. ft., was dedicated on April 23, 2011. A LEED Gold certificate has been applied for.

As of this date, work has begun on the Comer Foundation Reading Garden and is expected to be completed by the end of September.



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(3) **Dunning Branch Library: 7455 West Cornelia on the
Grounds of the Dever Public School**

This new 8,871 sq. ft. building was successfully dedicated by on May 6, 2011.

The contractor is currently completing his punch list schedule on the building's exterior ground cover.

Application to the USGBC for LEED Gold Certification is 95% complete.

(4) **Little Village Branch Library: 2311 South Kedzie Avenue**

The 16,295 sq. ft. library is a replacement of the Marshall Square storefront facility. The library's AOR is Harley Ellis Deveraux.

The contractor is the George Sollitt Company with a joint venture partner, Oakley Construction. The project is funded through general obligation bonds.

Work Completed Since the June Report:

The library was issued a Certificate of Occupancy as of July 11.

As of August 16, the contractor has completed 11% of a punch list of 308 items; 271 remain open. Several open items have to do with paper work to be completed. The building's anti-graffiti coating has been attended to, as well as its ground cover and roof garden. Exterior signage has yet to be attached to the building.

The weekly meetings of August 16 and August 23 were devoted to a review of the major outstanding punch listed items. The contractor has been given a tentative completion date of September 9.

Staff has been in the building for several weeks receiving and processing 34 skids of new books and is currently attending to the shelving of the library's opening day collection. Staff has been provided with computers needed to do

The building's major furniture delivery occurred on August 29.
A LEED Gold Certificate is anticipated.

Staffing Status: 4 positions are filled; 3 interviews/recall are in process; awaiting approval to begin hiring process for 3 positions.



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III. Projects in their Preconstruction Phase:

**(1) Humboldt Park Branch Library Remodeling and Expansion:
1605 North Troy Street**

Expansion of the 5,000 sq. ft. branch will be financed through TIF funds. The AOR is the firm of Steven Rankin Associates, which was the AOR for the Toman Branch Library. The addition will include a YOUmedia for middle and high school students.

Architectural plans are at a 90% completion stage. The anticipated construction bid date is October 17.

Alderman Maldonado reviewed the plans on August 19. A meeting with the local neighborhood advisory organization and friends group will be held on September 15.

Site preparation, a separate construction phase that precedes the building construction, is now in progress. During site preparation, contaminants and unsuitable soils are removed and the building's foundation is dug and back filled as needed. Measures are taken to protect existing trees, the adjacent alleyway, sidewalks and the existing library building. Fencing and erosion control measures are also attended to.

The Zoning Department has granted a variance for the new parking lot, allowing for 18 vehicle spots instead of 20.

**(2) Edgewater Branch Library: 6414-16 North Broadway and
1210 West Elmdale Avenues**

The project's 100% completed design /development drawings were distributed by the AOR, Lohan Anderson, on August 1 for review and comment.

Meetings have resolved outstanding details related to the building's IT and security needs.

The purchased two storied building, adjacent to the library, has been demolished. The current library building will be demolished by September 12. Construction documents are expected to be issued for bid on September 30.



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IV. **Projects in their Planning Phase:**

(a) **Whitney Young Branch Library: 7901 South King Drive**

The current 11,000 sq. ft. building, constructed in 1972, is to be replaced by a 16,295 sq. ft. prototype building. Three adjacent lots have been acquired for the new facility. PBC has been awarded a USEPA Brownfields Clean Up Grant (\$600,000) and a IEPA remediation loan (\$1million). Site work for the remediation of the contaminated property will begin spring 2012 and extend 18-24 months. A second community meeting to discuss site remediation was held on August 16.

(b) **Daley Branch Library: 3400 South Halsted Street**

The existing facility is to be replaced by a new prototype building of 16,295 sq. ft. The current site, as well as a purchased adjacent property will be used. Demolition of a city-owned furniture store has been completed.

Alderman Balcer has approved the use of TIF to construct the new library. Use of TIF will now need to be brought before the TIF Task Force and, with their approval, introduced to City Council for final authorization.

(c) **Albany Park: 5150 North Kimball Avenue**

Mayor Emanuel and Alderman Laurino have approved the use of TIF to construct a new building and the City's TIF Task Force also approved the project on August 3. CPL is now working with the PBC on an intergovernmental agreement to pursue acquisition, design and construction. The new library will be on its current site with additional lots to the west. Lohan Anderson has begun conceptual design documents.



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(d) Independence Branch Library: 3548 West Irving Park Road

No funding is in place for construction. The CPL is evaluating funding options and land in consultation with Alderman Mell, Representative Mell, PBC and the community.

(e) Chinatown Branch Library: 2353 South Wentworth Avenue

The PBC is evaluating available funding and land in consultation with Alderman Solis, Representative Dunkin, CDC, PBC and the community. The Community Development Committee has sought acquisition authority for property on the Southwest corner of Archer and Wentworth as the location for a future building.

(f) Back-of-the-Yards Branch Library: 4616-36 South Ashland & 4615 South Marshfield Avenues

The existing leased shopping mall storefront closed permanently on 8/22/11 due to continued flooding and sewer backup into the branch. The long term plan to construct a new 16,295 sq. ft. building is contingent upon funding, however Department of Housing and Economic Development is in negotiation to purchase property for a future branch.

(g) Woodson Regional Library Façade: 9525 South Halsted Street

In consultation with the Board Facilities Committee, the Public Building Commission and the Department of General Services, CPL administration has asked for an immediate and more comprehensive report on the façade of the Woodson Regional Library. On August 29, Rubinos & Mesia, Structural Engineers began an onsite façade inspection of the structural steel and masonry. Their inspection and analysis is expected to take two weeks. Upon receiving their report, a plan for repair or rebuilding the building façade will be developed. In the interim, a chain link fence has been positioned in order to keep pedestrians safely away from the façade along Halsted Street.



Attachment B
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CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION
REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
September 20, 2011

The Board and Staff of the Chicago Public Library Foundation are pleased to deliver this report to the Chicago Public Library Board of Directors. There have been a substantial number of important gifts to the Foundation for a range of life-long learning programs at the Library since our last report in May. Today's report will touch on many of those contributions.

PNC Bank has named the Library as its Chicago partner for *Grow Up Great*, a unique financial literacy curriculum aimed at pre-school age children. This national pilot, developed in cooperation with Sesame Street Workshop, will roll out in nine CPL branches later this year. PNC has generously provided a grant of \$225,000 to the Foundation for this initiative.

Target is once again joining us as the presenting sponsor of Bookamania—the Library's annual November celebration of children's books and reading. We are most grateful for Target's grant of \$90,000 in support of Bookamania, as well as the volunteer energies of their events team and associates on the day of the event.

The Foundation has partnered with the Vivian Harsh Society in support of an archival project of the Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection of Afro American History and Literature at the Woodson Regional Library. Grants of \$25,000 from the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation and \$80,000 from the Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation have been contributed for these efforts.

We know that you are all aware that Walmart has generously agreed to sponsor programs including Teacher in the Library, CyberNavigators, Summer Reading, Early Literacy and Teen Programming at the Richard M. Daley Branch Library in West Humboldt Park for the next three years with support of \$50,000 annually.



We are also greatly appreciative to Sue and Tom Pick and Northern Trust for grant support of \$50,000 and \$20,000 respectively for Teachers in the Library. Teachers in the Library and CyberNavigator programs also received big boosts over the summer months with gifts in honor of Jim Donnelley's tenure as Chair of the Foundation's Board and in honor of our Executive Committee Member Dia Weil's special birthday. These two tribute initiatives raised nearly \$50,000.

YOUmedia has benefited from a grant of \$40,000 from Motorola Solutions for STEM initiatives and \$10,000 from the American Library Association.

The Walter E. Heller Foundation has made a first time gift to the Foundation of \$25,000 to support Music Programs which were an important component of this year's successful Summer Reading Program. The Foundation would like to congratulate the children of Chicago and the Library's creative and hardworking corps of staff and volunteers for their record breaking achievement of 58,000 kids reading and reporting on more than \$1.4 million books. Our donors are extraordinarily proud to be part of this effort.

Finally, on behalf of Carl Sandburg Literary Award Dinner Co-Chairs Margot and Tom Pritzker, Gigi Pritzker Pucker and Michael Pucker, Dia Weil and Donna La Pietra, we would like to thank the Library staff and Board members who have supported this year's dinner on October 20, which will honor Pulitzer Prize Winning film critic and author Roger Ebert and Rebecca Skloot, writer of "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks". In celebration of the 10th anniversary of One Book, One Chicago, the 20th Anniversary of the Harold Washington Library and the 25th Anniversary of the Chicago Public Library Foundation, more than 60 acclaimed Chicago writers will join us—one at each table—in tribute of our vibrant literary heritage. Authors include novelists Scott Turow, Sara Paretsky, Elizabeth Berg; playwrights Regina Taylor, Tracy Letts and Rebecca Gilman; Apollo 13 Commander Jim Lovell; Former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson; Political Observers David Axelrod and Jonathan Alter; *One Book, One Chicago* authors Sandra Cisneros, Stuart Dybek and Carl Smith; NPR hosts Scott Simon and Peter Sagal; composer/lyricist Dennis DeYoung (lead singer of STYX); Nobel Laureate Leon Lederman and National Humanities Medalist Theologian Martin Marty—and many more. A complete list is shown on the Foundation's website.

Lead Sponsor for the evening is BMO Harris Bank with a gift of \$50,000 and Grand Benefactor (\$25,000) sponsors to date are Chicago Sun Times, RPM, RR Donnelley, Goldman Sachs, Skadden, U.S. Equities Realty, Deborah Bricker, Michelle Collins, Francie Comer, Crown Family Philanthropies, Sondra and Sid Epstein, Fred Eychaner, Susan Hassan and Rodd Schreiber, Linda Hefner, Ann Lurie, The Pritzker Foundation and Dia and Ed Weil. Their generosity, and the generosity of donors at all levels, have allowed us to pass the \$950,000 revenue mark, with more than a month left to go to the event. We are looking forward to a truly memorable evening.



Chicago Public Library 2011 SUMMER READING PROGRAM **BOOK BEATS**

Number of Branches Participating:	77	
Including THLC, Regionals		
Number of Kraft Great Kids Parks Participating	18	
Number of Participants:	58,696	16% increase from 2010
Participation According to Ages:		
Ages 0-3	8,212	
Ages 4-6	19,734	
Ages 7-8	11,057	
Ages 9-14	12,572	
Ages 15 +	320	
No Age	6,801	
Number of Books Read:	1,400,627	17% increase from 2010
Average number of books read per child:	24	
Earned t-shirts:	75%	
Number of Junior & Adult Volunteers	1,039	
Number of Hours Volunteers Worked	26,769	



**2011 SUMMER READING PROGRAM
BOOK BEATS (cont.)**

	Programs	Attendance
Systemwide (CPLF Funded):	491	21,024
Total Number of Grant or District Funded:	191	7,813
Total Number of Original:	2,739	69,202
Total Number of Programs:	3,421	98,039

Attendance at Staff Training Day at the Chicago Symphony: 100

Attendance at Junior Volunteer Training at the Chicago Symphony: 150

Attendance at Readers' Day at Millennium Park: 550

Top Ten Books Read:

Hip Hop Dog

Zin! Zin! Zin!: A Violin

This Jazz Man

I Know a Shy Fellow Who Swallowed a Cello

Farmer Joe and the Music Show

Punk Farm

Charlie Parker Played Be Bop

Barnyard Dance!

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Down By the Bay



**As part of Chicago Public Library's Summer Reading Program 2011
"BOOK BEATS"
CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Early Literacy Project -- Office of Early Childhood

- ❖ 48 Step Up to Kindergarten sites
- ❖ 58 Step Up to Kindergarten classrooms
- ❖ 32 Chicago Public Library Branches

1,005 participants heard 28,702 books read aloud

- ❖ 53 CPS Community Partnership sites
- ❖ 203+ Community Partnership classrooms
- ❖ 33 Chicago Public Library Branches

3,355 participants heard 113,425 books read aloud

Total Number of Children Participating 4,360

Total Number of Books Read Aloud 142,127

**Summer of Reading -- Office of Teaching and Learning
Department of Libraries**

Total Number of Schools 145

Reported by Chicago Public Library

Total Number of Participants 4,615

Total Number of Books Read 125,243

Reported by Chicago Public Schools

Total Number of Participants 5,704

Total Number of Books Read 287,000



Attachment D
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Resolution on Retirement

**Lora D. Killingsworth
Board of Directors**

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Whereas, Ms. Lora Killingsworth began a fulfilling 26 year career with the Chicago Public Library as a Library Associate at the Gage Park Branch on June 17, 1985; and

Whereas, Ms. Killingsworth's work with the Chicago Public Schools and nursery schools were popular with many residents of the Gage Park community who would ultimately follow her to the Gage Park Branch; and

Whereas, Ms. Killingsworth's dedication to children and families in the Gage Park community has led the children from her story hours to return year after year with their own children to experience "Miss Lora"; and

Whereas, due to Ms. Killingsworth's love for children and books, Ms. Killingsworth became a valued, respected and well loved by the tens of thousands of Gage Park residents she served throughout her 26 year career.

Whereas Ms. Killingsworth retired on June 15, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Lora Killingsworth for her 26 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment E
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Lois J. Williams
Board of Directors**

016-2011

Whereas, Mrs. Lois Williams began her 30 year career with the Chicago Public Library as a clerical substitute under the CEDA program and was assigned to the Library's Music and Language Arts Department in 1978; and

Whereas, due to her proven skills and high recommendations from her superiors at CEDA, Mrs. Williams was appointed to the position of Receptionist/Clerk of the Chicago Public Library's former Illinois Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in 1981; and

Whereas, Mrs. Williams remained at the Illinois Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped for eight years where she continued to provide dedicated service by providing information on audio equipment registration, activities, statistics and events for the disabled; and

Whereas, Mrs. Williams received a transfer in 1989 to the Youth Materials Selection Department of the Chicago Public Library, which was then located on West Van Buren Street, where she gained significant and invaluable knowledge regarding books and library services for children; and

Whereas, Mrs. Williams has consistently earned high praise and appreciation from her colleagues and has been described as a "steady, hard working, productive employee"; and

Whereas, Mrs. Williams guided and facilitated the work of hundreds of children's librarians and other staff to ensure that generations of children and families across the City had access to the world's finest children's literature, and

Whereas, Mrs. Williams retired June 30, 2011, after thirty-three years of exemplary public service to the citizens of Chicago.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mrs. Lois J. Williams for her 33 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment F
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

Resolution on Retirement
Jeannie K. Cho
Board of Directors

017-2011

Whereas, Ms. Jeannie Cho began her career with the Chicago Public Library as a Children's Librarian at the former Lake View Branch on April 8, 1985; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho was promoted to Librarian II effective January 1, 1986 and continued to serve the children, parents, and teachers of the Lake View community; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho served as a key member of the Chicago Public Library's Asian- American Services Committee from its establishment in 1987 to promote services for the Asian population of Chicago, to serve the concerns of the Asian-American librarians, and to promote Asian/Pacific American heritage and culture to all Chicago communities; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho was promoted to the position of First Assistant, Librarian III of the Lake View Branch on January 1, 1991 where she remained to see the branch through its renovation and name change to the John Merlo Branch in 1993; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho conducted popular adult book discussions for many years at the John Merlo Branch Library, bringing to each discussion her strong literary background and love of literature; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho planned and provided many enriching adult programs, as well as creative art and book displays at the John Merlo Branch Library; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho served as a most dedicated and professional First Assistant and Adult Services reference librarian at the John Merlo Branch Library, providing quick, courteous, and accurate reference service while always remaining a considerate, gracious co-worker and professional; and

Whereas, Ms. Cho retired effective June 30, 2011, after over 26 years of exemplary public service to the citizens of Chicago.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Ms. Jeannie K. Cho for her 26 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of 2011



Attachment G
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Cosme Llinas
Board of Directors**

018-2011

Whereas, Mr. Cosme Llinas began his 18 year career with the Chicago Public Library as the Hispanic Services Coordinator in the Foreign Language division of the Chicago Public Library on September 16, 1993; and

Whereas, Mr. Llinas transferred to the Hegewisch Branch as a Librarian II in March 16, 1994; and

Whereas, Mr. Llinas served as First Assistant at the Hegewisch Branch providing courteous and professional service to the residents of the Hegewisch Branch community; and

Whereas, Mr. Llinas served as a member of the Hispanic Services Committee; and

Whereas, in his desire to share and promote the joy of reading, Mr. Llinas established and conducted a book club at the Hegewisch Branch; and

Whereas, Mr. Llinas always performed his varied duties with diligence, dignity and dependability including serving as Acting Branch Manager of the Hegewisch Branch for approximately one year; and

Whereas, Mr. Llinas retired from the Chicago Public Library on July 31, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mr. Llinas for his 18 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment H
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Kurisunkal T. Joseph
Board of Directors**

019-2011

Whereas, Mr. Kurisunkal Joseph began his 26 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Library Page at the Sulzer Regional Branch on March 19, 1985; and

Whereas, Mr. Joseph was promoted to the position of Head Clerk on September 16, 1986; and

Whereas, Mr. Joseph exemplified the spirit of the Chicago Public Library through his deep commitment to the needs of the Sulzer Regional community; and

Whereas, Mr. Joseph's skill as a supervisor, leader and professional, inspired many of his fellow staff to continue their careers at the Chicago Public Library; and

Whereas, Mr. Joseph will be remembered and missed by the thousands of patrons he served for his dedication and kindness; and

Whereas, Mr. Joseph retired from the Chicago Public Library on June 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mr. Kurisunkal Joseph for his 26 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment I
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

Resolution on Retirement

**James A. Gilgis
Board of Directors**

020-2011

Whereas, Mr. James Gilgis began his 18-year career at the Chicago Public Library on October 18, 1993 as a Library Page at the Uptown Branch; and

Whereas, Mr. Gilgis was promoted to the position of Library Associate in May 1994 and served under that title at various locations including the former Damen Avenue Branch and the Manning Branch; and

Whereas, Mr. Gilgis transferred to the Chicago Public Library's Talking Book Center in the Harold Washington Library Center in May 1998 where he remained to serve hundreds of patrons with visual and physical needs as a Reader's Advisor; and

Whereas, Mr. Gilgis retired from the Chicago Public Library on September 1, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mr. Gilgis for his 18 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago, and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment J
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Mae F. Sisney
Board of Directors**

021-2011

Whereas, Mrs. Mae Sisney began her 40 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Library Clerk with the CoPlus/Model City Program at the Hall Branch on August 16, 1971 where she conducted reading programs for neighborhood school children; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney transferred to the former Central Library in 1987 where she diligently continued to serve the public; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney was an integral member of the team that opened the Circulation Department of the Chicago Public Library's new Harold Washington Library Center in 1991 where she served until 1993; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney was promoted to the position of Head Library Clerk and transferred to the Hegewisch Branch in 1993; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney started a popular and successful quilting club at the Hegewisch Branch which donated items to the Chicago Fire Department to be used for fire victims; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney transferred to the South District Office in 1995 where she assisted in the management of approximately 20 branches; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney returned to the Hegewisch Branch in 1996 where she served as Head Library Clerk; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney remained at the Hegewisch Branch for the remainder of her career where she conducted the Summer Reading Program on several occasions and procured donations for the program; and



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Whereas, Mrs. Sisney excelled in promoting all of the Chicago Public Library's services and programs throughout the Hegewisch community; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney exhibited the true spirit of the Chicago Public Library everyday through her excellent customer service skills to all library patrons; and

Whereas, Mrs. Sisney, a valued member of the Chicago Public Library's staff, retired from a fulfilling and productive 40 year career with the Chicago Public Library on August 31, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mrs. Mae Sisney for her 40 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September.2011



Attachment K
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Janice M. Alfred
Board of Directors**

022-2011

Whereas, Ms. Janice Alfred began her 27 year career with the Chicago Public Library as a Clerk II at the Hild Regional Library in 1983 where she became an integral member of the team that assisted in the move to the branch's new location, the new Conrad Sulzer Regional Library, in 1985; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred was promoted to the position of Clerk III in 1986 and began service under that title at the McKinley Park Branch; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred served on the Chicago Public Library's former Carl PAC (Public Access Catalog) Committee; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred was promoted to the position of Clerk IV in 1990 and began to served under that title at the former Wrightwood Branch Library; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred assisted with the training of employees who participated in the M.E.T program while a Clerk IV at the Wrightwood Library; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred was member of and an invaluable asset to the team that assisted in the move to the library's new branch, the Wrightwood-Ashburn Branch Library in 1997; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred transferred to the Beverly Library in 1998 where her responsibilities included training staff on circulation desk procedures; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred designed the first Great Kids Museum Passport display board for the Beverly Branch Library; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred was recognized by the Library Board of Directors for her dedication and skills in May of 2008 when she was honored with the Chicago Library Board of Directors "Outstanding Public Service" award at the Library's annual All Staff Institute Day; and

Whereas, Ms. Alfred retired from the Chicago Public Library on June 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Ms. Janice Alfred for her 27 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September.2011



Attachment L
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Daniel Kevin Davey
Board of Directors**

023-2011

Whereas, Mr. Daniel Kevin Davey began his career with the Chicago Public Library in July of 1985 as a Librarian I in the Information Center of the Central Library; and

Whereas, Mr. Davey was promoted to Librarian II on October 16, 1988; and

Whereas, Mr. Davey was an integral member of the team that assisted in the Library's move into the Harold Washington Library Center in 1991; and

Whereas, Mr. Davey left the library in May of 1993 but reapplied and was rehired on September 6, 1995 as a Librarian I of the Business, Science and Technology Division of the Harold Washington Library Center; and

Whereas, Mr. Davey was briefly detailed to the Jeffery Manor Branch in July 1999 later returning to work at the Harold Washington Library Center; and

Whereas, in addition to other references and public service assignments at the Harold Washington Library Center, Mr. Davey was responsible for email reference and collection development for the Military Science, Construction, Printing and Bookbinding collections of the Library; and

Whereas, Mr. Davey will retire from the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Daniel Davey for his 24 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September, 2011



Attachment M
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

Resolution on Retirement

**Charles Hoover
Board of Directors**

024-2011

Whereas, Mr. Charles Hoover began his 30 year career with the Chicago Public Library as a Library Page at the Woodson Regional Library on September 16, 1981; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover transferred to the Pullman Branch on February 24, 1989 where he continued to serve the public as a Library Page; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover transferred to the position of security officer under the direction of the Chicago Public Library at the Mount Greenwood Branch on October 1, 1989 and continued to serve as a roving security officer under the direction of the City's Department of General Services at various locations including the central library through the end of 1995; and

Whereas, on December 19, 1995 Mr. Hoover returned to the Chicago Public Library as a Library Clerk in the Business, Science, and Technology Division of the Harold Washington Library Center, assisting library patrons at the Periodicals desk, Electronic Resource Center, and Computer Commons division; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover was promoted to the position of Senior Library Clerk on October 16, 1998; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover transferred to the Budlong Woods Branch in January 2010 where he continued to diligently serve the public as a member of the circulation staff; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover retired from the Chicago Public Library on July 26, 2011; and

Whereas, Mr. Hoover will be remembered for his dedication to serving the public with courtesy and respect.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mr. Charles Hoover for 30 years of service, 28 of which were in dedicated service as an employee of the Chicago Public Library, and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011



Attachment N
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

**Resolution on Retirement
Eileen Conroy-Gilhooly
Board of Directors**

025-2011

Whereas, Ms. Eileen Conroy Gilhooly began her 18 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Part-time Library Associate at the Merlo Branch Library on September 16, 1993; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly transferred to the Edgewater Branch where she worked with children and young adults; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly was selected to attend the Institute for Introductory Librarianship, sponsored by the Illinois State Library in June, 1996 to further enhance her knowledge of basic library skills; and

Whereas, with a desire to further her library career, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly enrolled in the Library and Information Science program at Dominican University and was the recipient of the Joseph Provenzano Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Friends of the Oriole Park Branch group in February 2001; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly was promoted to the position of Librarian I upon completion of a Masters Degree in Library and Information Science in February 2003; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly worked as a Librarian at several locations including Mount Greenwood, Midwest, Eckhart Park, Canaryville and Sulzer Regional libraries where her dedication to helping children and adults was highly regarded by patrons and Library personnel; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly provided warm, friendly, professional, and knowledgeable service to the patrons of the Chicago Public Library throughout her entire career; and

Whereas, Ms. Conroy-Gilhooly will retire from the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011.

Thereby, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Eileen Conroy-Gilhooly for her 18 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September.2011



Attachment O
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

Resolution on Retirement

**Jimmy Markcom
Board of Directors**

026-2011

Whereas, Jimmy Markcom began his 36 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Library Associate at the Douglas Branch on September 15, 1975; and;

Whereas, Mr. Markcom was promoted to the position of Supervisor of six Reading and Study Centers (Ickes, Stateway Gardens, Cabrini Green, Rockwell Homes, Robert Taylor Homes and El Centro De La Causa) in 1976; and:

Whereas, in 1977 Mr. Markcom was promoted to Librarian I in 1979 and served under that title at the Near North Branch and Tuley Park libraries; and

Whereas, Mr. Markcom was promoted to Librarian II and appointed Branch Manager of the Southeast Branch on August 16, 1984; and

Whereas, Mr. Markcom was promoted to the position of Librarian III on September 19, 1990; and

Whereas, Mr. Markcom was promoted to Librarian IV and appointed to become the first manager of the new Media Center in 1994 at the Woodson Regional Library and in this assignment he was often in charge of the Woodson Regional Library and;

Whereas, Mr. Markcom became the branch manager of the Pullman Branch where he developed one of the largest and most devoted book discussion groups on the south side of Chicago and became a library friend to the homeless community through successful outreach efforts; and

Whereas, Mr. Markcom implemented other successful programs for the Pullman/Roseland community to encourage reading, such as knitting and Spanish classes and;

Whereas, Mr. Markcom retired from the Chicago Public Library on July 31, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Mr. Markcom for his 36 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011.



Attachment P
September 20, 2011
Board meeting

Resolution on Retirement

**Diana Williams
Board of Directors**

027-2011

Whereas, Diana Williams began her 39 year career with the Chicago Public Library as a Junior Library Clerk at the former Woodlawn Branch on December 3, 1972; and

Whereas, while at the Woodlawn Branch, Ms. Williams developed a deep love for books and reading; and

Whereas, during her career, Ms. Williams provided dedicated and knowledgeable service to the public at various locations of the Chicago Public Library including Pullman, Altgeld, the former Stateway Gardens, Chicago Bee, Thomas Hughes Children's Library, Harold Washington Library Center, and Whitney Young branches; and

Whereas, while at the Thomas Hughes Children's Library, Ms. Williams was promoted to the position of Clerk IV on October 16, 2001; and

Whereas, Ms. Williams was promoted to the position of Head Clerk of the Whitney Young branch on September 16, 2006 where she remained until her retirement; and

Whereas, Ms. Williams' dependability and knowledge of the policies and procedures of the Chicago Public Library led her to become a highly regarded member of the Whitney Young staff; and

Whereas, Ms. Williams, as a member of AFSCME, proudly recalls being present in City Council Chambers when former Mayor Harold Washington announced support for recognition of the AFSCME Union by the City Council; and

Whereas, Ms. Williams retired from the Chicago Public Library on July 31, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Diana Williams for her 39 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of September 2011.