TRIBUTE RESOLUTION FOR MARGARET (PEGGY) DANHOF LIBRARY LEADER, MENTOR, ADVOCATE, AND FRIEND

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof was elected to the Fountaindale Public Library Board as a Trustee in 1984 - 1988, reappointed to the board in 1998, and served continuously as a library trustee from 1998 – 2021, and

WHEREAS as a dedicated public servant, Peggy Danhof also served her community for ten years as a Bolingbrook Village Trustee and four years as DuPage Township Supervisor, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has served as a passionate advocate for her library, and

WHEREAS as Board President, Peggy Danhof led the campaign to build a new library, with a successful referendum in February 2008 for a new LEED Gold Certified building which opened to serve the growing community in 2011, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has served on numerous Bolingbrook library board committees, including the new building committee, the policy revision committee, the art selection committee, the director evaluation committee, and the personnel committee, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has also shown her support for her library as a lifetime member of the Friends of the Fountaindale Public Library, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has generously shared her valuable time and considerable talent with the larger library community as an active member of United for Libraries, and through service as the Charter Co-President when this new Division of ALA began in 2009, and

WHEREAS Peggy also served as a member/trustee of the Prairie Area Library System (PALS) where she served as Treasurer, and developed evaluation tools for the PALS Executive Director, Fountaindale Public Library District Executive Director, and ALA/United for Libraries Division's Executive Director, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof served as chair of several United for Libraries committees, including Leaders Orientation, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof served on the ALA/APA Library Support Staff Certification Review Committee and the ALA/Training, Orientation and Leadership Development Committee, and has been a member of the Ethnic & Multicultural Information Exchange Roundtable, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has also served admirably in the Illinois library community, as a member of the ILA Advocacy Committee, the ILA Awards Committee, and the 2012 ILA Conference Program Committee, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof is a long-standing, dedicated member of the Illinois Library Association's (ILA) Library Trustee Forum Executive Board, having served as President for several terms, and

WHEREAS, under Peggy Danhof's leadership, the Library Trustee Forum has expanded its continuing-education offerings for library trustees, and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Peggy Danhof's amazing contributions to libraries, Peggy was named the Illinois Library Association's Trustee of the Year and was selected as the American Library Association's Outstanding Trustee of the Year in 2010, and

WHEREAS in 2017 Peggy Danhof was also recognized as an outstanding voice in the library community when she was named as an ILA Library Luminary, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has served in various positions of leadership in local, regional, state, and national library organizations, encouraging the partnership between all types and levels of libraries, and providing support to those who govern, advocate, and fundraise for libraries everywhere, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof has served as a mentor and role model for library trustees at all levels of governance, and has been a valuable member of each Board on which she has served, and

WHEREAS Peggy Danhof is an exemplary citizen and tireless volunteer in the library community, always ready to lend a helping hand, welcome new trustees, and share her extraordinary knowledge of libraries and governing boards with others,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ILLINOIS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S TRUSTEE FORUM TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE PEGGY DANHOF'S OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO LIBRARIES AND HONOR HER TODAY FOR HER MANY YEARS OF LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO LIBRARIES.

With a motion by Percy Harris, seconded by Kathy Caudill, this resolution was unanimously approved by the ILA Trustee Forum Executive Board on June 5, 2021.