

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
ILA TRUSTEE FORUM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PERCY HARRIS**

WHEREAS Percy Harris has a love of libraries and advocating for literacy which began early in life, and continues to this day in his extended family, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris has also been involved as a very active volunteer leader in various local community, school, and scouting organizations, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris recognizes the value of the traditional aspects of a library (books, newspapers, etc.) as well as the importance of today's digital library offerings, and quietly and tirelessly works to help serve the needs of all library patrons in the community, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris was first appointed to the Homewood Public Library Board as a Trustee in 2015,

WHEREAS Percy Harris was then elected to serve as a library trustee of the Homewood Public Library in 2017, and

WHEREAS Percy has served in leadership roles on the Homewood Public Library Board, including as Secretary and Board President, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris has also served on the Board of Directors for the Reaching Across Illinois Libraries (RAILS) from 2019 – 2021 as a Public Library Representative, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris has been a very active member of the Illinois Library Association, having served on a Conference Planning committee, as well as attending ILA conferences, trustee forum training programs, and legislative meetups, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris has been a member of the ILA Trustee Forum Board since 2016, and has served as the Board's Vice President/Manager Elect and President/Manager, and

WHEREAS in his years of service on his local library board, Percy Harris has become an active and involved leader in Illinois libraries, serving in a local library, a library system, and the Illinois Library Association, and

WHEREAS Percy Harris has shown and provided strong leadership and thoughtful service, always striving to enrich the lives of others by helping make valuable library materials and services available for patrons, librarians, and library trustees,

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

With a motion by Carol Kissane. seconded by Thomas Stagg, this resolution was approved by your fellow members of the the ILA Trustee Forum Executive Board on November 20, 2021.