RESOLUTION MODIFYING BUILDINGS TO BE INCLUDED IN GROUP 1B OF THE FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, On April 16, 2019, the Board of Library Trustees approved the selection of the following branches and improvements for Group 1 of the Facilities Master Plan: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Jefferson, Hough, Walz, Memorial-Nottingham, West Park, Sterling, Lorain, Brooklyn, Eastman, Woodland, Rockport; and Mount Pleasant and E. 131st, the plan for which was to consolidate the two branches at new location; and

WHEREAS, In order to better manage the Group 1 projects, the Library Administration divided the projects into two separate phases, Group 1A and Group 1B, and on June 18, 2020, the Board of Library Trustees approved the selection of the following branches for Group 1B of the Facilities Master Plan: Brooklyn, Eastman, Fleet, Lorain, Memorial-Nottingham, Rockport, and Sterling; and

WHEREAS, On September 17, 2020, the Board of Library Trustees approved the modification of Group 1B of the Facilities Master Plan by moving the renovation of the Fleet branch to Group 2 of the Facilities Master Plan and approved the selection of the following branches: Brooklyn, Eastman, Lorain, Memorial-Nottingham, Rockport, and Sterling; and

WHEREAS, The Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) owns the property surrounding the Library’s Sterling branch and is in the beginning stages of its neighborhood development plan focused on the Campus District, Central Neighborhood, and Cedar Estates; and

WHEREAS, Because CMHA’s neighborhood development plan includes the property surrounding the Sterling branch, there may be opportunities for the Library and its architectural design team to collaborate with CMHA to explore different possibilities for the future of the Sterling branch that would not otherwise be available; and
WHEREAS, The Library Administration recommends that the Sterling branch project be moved to Group 2 of the Master Plan in order to allow the Library the opportunity to explore additional options for the Sterling branch with CMHA; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby approves moving the Sterling branch from Group 1B to Group 2 of the Facilities Master Plan and hereby approves the modification of Group 1B of the Facilities Master Plan to include the following branches: Brooklyn, Eastman, Lorain, Memorial-Nottingham, and Rockport.