

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

September 17, 2013

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT FROM ALCOA FOUNDATION TO
PURCHASE SOLAR-POWERED TRASH COMPACTORS FOR EASTMAN
READING GARDEN**

WHEREAS, Around the World, Alcoa Foundation investments are helping drive meaningful change in education and in protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS, Similar to Cleveland Public Library, Alcoa has a strong commitment to sustainability and has made it a priority in guiding the donations made by the Alcoa Foundation; and

WHEREAS, The Alcoa Foundation has approved a grant request submitted by the Cleveland Public Library in the amount of \$15,000 for the purchase of two (2) Big Belly solar-powered trash compactors for use in the Eastman Reading Garden; and

WHEREAS, The Big Belly units, manufactured by Big Belly Solar in Massachusetts, resemble a U.S. mailbox. Each unit compresses trash as it is collected and features a receptacle for recyclables. The bins run on less energy per day than is required to toast a slice of bread and hold five times more garbage than a normal bin; and

WHEREAS, The addition of these compactors will increase the ability and reduce the cost for recycling over the long term and will highlight the Library's overall commitment to finding environmentally-friendly solutions to reducing trash within our buildings and our community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Cleveland Public Library Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority set forth in R.C. §3375.40(K), hereby accepts a grant from the Alcoa Foundation in the amount of \$15,000 to purchase the Big Belly trash compactors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, is authorized to enter into and execute such agreements and instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution, which agreements and instruments shall be subject to the approval of the Library's Chief Legal Officer.