

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

September 16, 2014

**RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR
AND BOARD PRESIDENT TO THE FRIENDS BOARD IN THEIR OFFICIAL
CAPACITIES**

WHEREAS, The Board of the Friends of the Cleveland Public Library, Inc. ("Friends") at their annual meeting on December 12, 2013, appointed the Cleveland Public Library's Executive Director, Felton Thomas, Jr., and the President of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Public Library, Thomas Corrigan, as ex-officio, non-voting trustees for a term of one (1) year, commencing January 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, In May of 2000, the Cleveland Public Library and the Friends entered into an agreement for the donation of discarded library materials to the Friends, the operation of the Friends gift shop, and the provision of supports services between the Library and the Friends, which agreement remains in full force and effect today; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio Ethics Commission and the Ohio Attorney General have opined that a public official may serve as a trustee of a nonprofit corporation with which their public entity contracts, provided that certain requirements are met, including the requirement that the public official's governing body formally designates the officer as serving on the nonprofit board in his or her official capacity, and the requirement that it formally instruct the public official to represent the governmental entity and its interests; and

WHEREAS, This Board of Trustees desires to adopts this Resolution in compliance with the aforementioned opinions; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Public Library hereby retroactively approves the appointment of the Library's Executive Director, Felton Thomas Jr., and its Board President, Thomas Corrigan, to the Friends' Board as ex-officio nonvoting trustees effective January 1, 2014 for a term of one (1) year, and for any

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renewal terms for which they may be subsequently appointed by the Friends' Board. This Board formally designates that the Executive Director and Board President shall serve on the Friends' Board in their official capacities as representatives of the Cleveland Public Library, and further instructs each one to represent the interests of the Cleveland Public Library while serving as a trustee on the Friends' Board.