

RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE THE STATE LIBRARIAN'S
PROPOSED STATE AID MODEL

Whereas State Librarian Nancy Robertson proposed a new model for State Aid to Public Libraries and Library Cooperatives on March 3, 2008,

Whereas this model leaves uncertain the continued funding and support of Library Cooperatives in the State of Michigan,

Whereas, the State Librarian has made known through **the *Library of Michigan's Five-Year Plan for Michigan October 2007-September 2012*** her goals to

- Insure equitable statewide access to library materials by providing special assistance to libraries in underserved rural and urban communities and to provide service to persons having difficulty using a library
- Increase equity of service to Michigan residents by providing professional development resources and opportunities throughout the state to improve public services, programming and outreach, especially to underserved rural and urban populations
- Foster new, innovate services and programs by funding scalable pilot projects for use by libraries statewide to meet and anticipate Michigan residents' constantly changing needs for library services and information

The Board of Trustees of the _____ Public Library resolves that the most cost effective and efficient way to meet the aforementioned goals is through the continuation of funding and support for Library Cooperatives.

Furthermore the Board of Trustees resolves that Library Cooperatives have a proven track record of implementing programs and services that meet all of the aforementioned goals, and that the Library of Michigan, in its current form, is unable to effectively implement these goals without the support of Library Cooperatives and Public Libraries throughout the State.

Furthermore the Board of Trustees of the _____ Public Library resolves on this _____ day _____ of this month of the year _____ that it is opposed to the new State Aid model proposed by State Librarian Nancy Robertson.