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Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Presentation Recognizing Librarian of the Year Award-Winner Kathryn Kohl

Purpose/Outcomes	This presentation is to recognize LINCC Member Services Librarian Kathryn Kohl, who was recently named Librarian of the Year by Oregon Library Association.
Fiscal Impact	None
Funding Source	N/A
Duration	N/A
Previous Action	None
Strategic Plan Alliance	Building public trust through good government
Contact Person	Greg Williams, Manager, LINCC: 503-723-4889

BACKGROUND

With over 1,000 members statewide, the Oregon Library Association (OLA), seeks to promote and advance library service through public and professional education and cooperation. OLA's officers, divisions, committees and roundtables make OLA a vital, dynamic library organization which represents the interest of libraries, library staff, and those they serve throughout Oregon.

Every year, OLA recognizes and honors select librarians, library staff, and library supporters who have distinguished themselves through their service and impact. Potential award recipients are nominated by their peers, and an official committee reviews nominations and letters of support before selecting the winners.

This year, OLA selected Kathryn Kohl, Member Services Librarian in the BCS Library Network office, as the recipient of the prestigious "Oregon Librarian of the Year" award. This award is presented annually to an Oregon librarian who demonstrates excellence in service to his/her community, and to Oregon Libraries. The award was presented at the annual OLA Conference in Bend, OR on April 22, 2016, where Kathryn was recognized and honored by nearly 500 of her colleagues and peers from around the state.

Kathryn was recognized by her peers for the outstanding support she provides to our LINCC (Libraries in Clackamas County) customer libraries, her ability to foster collaboration and cooperation between libraries operated by 12 independent and autonomous agencies, her dedication to supporting LINCC libraries' outreach efforts, and the impact her efforts and leadership have had on more than 200 LINCC library staff members, and the 400,000 citizens our libraries serve.

RECOMMENDATION

I am so pleased for the opportunity to have Katheryn's contributions, service, and achievement recognized by the BCC and recommend a short presentation and photo during the May 26, 2016 business meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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