

**CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**New Business**

September 18, 2008

**RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF  
CONGRESSWOMAN STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES**

- WHEREAS, The Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones spent her entire career in public service, and
- WHEREAS, Cleveland Public Library was the beneficiary of this service from 1986-1991 when then-Judge Jones served on the Board of Library Trustees, bringing her diligent and dedicated leadership to the roles of Chair of the Development Committee, Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee, Vice President, and President 1990-1991; and
- WHEREAS, During her tenure on the Board, the Library began a long-range planning process that resulted in the capital plan to renovate and expand the Main Library, and passed an operating levy in 1988 by a two-to-one margin; and
- WHEREAS, Judge Jones had to resign from the Board of Library Trustees after her election to the office of Cuyahoga County Prosecutor, a role in which she continued to serve this library and the other libraries in the County as legal counsel; and
- WHEREAS, Stephanie Tubbs Jones was greatly missed on the Board of Library Trustees, but she remained a friend and a staunch supporter of the Library, returning in 1999 to rally the crowd as the Mistress of Ceremonies at the rededication of the historic Main Building, and volunteering to co-chair the successful levy campaigns of 2003 and 2008; and
- WHEREAS, It is with deep gratitude for the loyal service of Stephanie Tubbs Jones that this Board records her death after too brief a life; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees, for itself and on behalf of the community and staff, salutes the memory of our valued colleague, acknowledging with appreciation her faithful service to Cleveland Public Library.