CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee September 18, 2008

RESOLUTION FOR YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED (Y.O.U.)

- WHEREAS, A strategic priority of the Cleveland Public Library is to enrich Cleveland's neighborhoods by enhancing services for children and young adults; and
- WHEREAS, Youth Opportunities Unlimited (Y.O.U.) is a non-profit youth workforce development organization serving Cuyahoga County whose mission is to help youth develop skills and abilities required to succeed in school and work; and
- WHEREAS, Y.O.U. has actively engaged 127 young adults in an intensive after school program at the Fleet, Fulton, Glenville and Harvard-Lee branch libraries over the past year with outstanding results; and
- WHEREAS, Y.O.U. placed 79 youth participating in the CPL *Prime Time* program in both paid and non-paid internships; and
- WHEREAS, 93% of the students participating in the CPL *Prime Time* program expressed satisfaction with the services provided by Y.O.U.; and
- WHEREAS, Y.O.U. staff will facilitate the *Prime Time* programs at Fleet, Fulton, Glenville and Harvard-Lee branch libraries; and
- WHEREAS, A Career/Job Fair in February 2009 will be conducted at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch; and
- WHEREAS, The program will commence September 22, 2008 and conclude August 31, 2009; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees accepts the proposal from Y.O.U. for services related to the Y.O.U. *Prime Time* and Career/Job Fair with the total expenditures of <u>\$114,928 with payment of \$38,000 in 2008 and \$76,928 in 2009</u> being charged to <u>General Fund Account: 17010053-53710 (Professional Services)</u>.