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## **Dear Director Thomas:**

It gives me great pleasure to send you this letter expressing my gratitude to one of your outstanding staff members, Ms. Caroline Han, for her significant contributions in the recent lecture tour in China, under the joint sponsorship of the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Chinese Ministry of Culture.

In my capacity as the Project Evaluator of the U.S.-China Library Collaboration Project, I went together with the American team in May 2010 and had first-hand observation of the well conducted library seminars taught by the American team in three major Chinese cities: Tianjin, Yantai, and Shanghai. A total of 360 library directors and senior staff participated in these three-day seminars. Since she was the only team member from a public library, Caroline was responsible for lecturing on public libraries in the U.S. and answered all questions related to public library organization and services. Her presentation was well prepared and was rated as the best by the participants.

Throughout the entire trip, I noticed that Caroline made great effort in promoting Cleveland Public Library and trying to initiate cooperative relationship with Chinese public libraries. She also solicited donations of Chinese books for Cleveland Public Library.

Because Caroline has done so well in representing both the Cleveland Public Library and the American library community in this major bilateral library project between China and the U.S., I feel compelled to let you know how much we appreciate her great efforts and contributions.

By the way, when I retired from Ohio University Libraries in 1999, I was honored by Ohio Library Council to be inducted into the Ohio Hall of Fame Librarians together with Marilyn Gell Mason. I always had great admiration for the outstanding achievements made by Marilyn at your esteemed Library.

Sincerely,

Hwa-Wei Lee