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October 16, 2014

Mr. Felton Thomas, Jr.
Executive Director, CEO
Cleveland Public Library
325 Superior Ave
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

On behalf of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, I would like to personally congratulate you on receiving a 2014 Commuter Choice Award from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) in the Honorable Mention category.

Thank you for your participation and, through best practices, encouraging your employees to walk, bike or use public transit in their daily commute. The Commuter Choice Awards are a wonderful way for companies such as yours to be recognized for what they are doing to promote healthy, clean transportation in this region.

As you may know, RTA's Commuter Advantage Program offers employers tax savings and other incentives when using public transportation. Many recipients of the Commuter Choice Awards participate in our program. In fact, more than 700 employers and nearly 14,000 employees in Northeast Ohio enjoy the convenience of public transportation. They are taking advantage of tax savings available through RTA's Commuter Advantage Program – and those numbers continue to grow.

If you would like more information about our program, please contact our sales director, Jim Frick, who can be reached at 216-781-4764. We are committed to providing you and your employees with the transportation options to make their commute safe, convenient and affordable.

We encourage you to apply for NOACA's Commuter Choice Award again next year, and we are here to help you in that process. We are available to work with you to explore or create ways to increase your score next time, and we believe participation in our Commuter Advantage Program will help you do just that.

If we can assist you in any way going forward please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Calabrese, CEO
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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November 3, 2014

Felton Thomas Jr
Executive Director
Cleveland Public Library
325 Superior Avenue NE
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Dear Sir:

I am a book conservator and together with my colleague, Karen Esper, often visit your Special Collections Department to research binding structures, book design, and page layout. This collection is a treasure and having access to it is a privilege. All members of the Special Collections staff, without exception, are consistently helpful and enthusiastic, but I do want to thank Kelly Brown in particular, for her recent help in locating a title for me.

I had an important job interview coming up, and I needed to put together a PowerPoint presentation on my conservation work. I wanted to include an image of a book from Special Collections that I had used as a prototype to rebind a 17th century text. I had not kept a record of the title (which was my mistake), but Kelly offered to track the volume down with little more than author, size, and color information. And she found it! Kudos to her and all who helped her.

I want to also commend the Cleveland Public Library for maintaining a circulating print collection of unusual depth. I rely on this collection for reading material—most of the titles I am looking for cannot be found elsewhere in the area.

Thank you for maintaining this valuable and irreplaceable institution.

Sincerely,



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November 5, 2014

Mr. Felton Thomas, Executive Director
Cleveland Public Library
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Dear Felton,

I would like to congratulate you on the Cleveland Public Library's four-star rating for its expenditure range in the Library Journal Index of Public Library Service 2014. Your place on the list is a testament to the outreach you do every day. As a state, Ohio has the second highest number of libraries on the list. That is an accomplishment for all of us and an indication of the continuing strength of Ohio's library community.

My congratulations on this honor and best wishes to you in your continued work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beverly Cain". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Beverly Cain
State Librarian