## CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

## **Finance Committee**

May 19, 2015

## RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH FAMILY CONNECTIONS OF NORTHEAST OHIO FOR LITERACY PLAYROOM AT WOODLAND BRANCH

- WHEREAS, Family Connections of Northeast Ohio is a nonprofit that for more than 30 years has been providing early literacy, parenting support and school readiness services to families in greater Cleveland, and offers a number of programs to help parents and other caregivers make sure their young children have experiences that will help them develop the skills needed to succeed in school; and
- WHEREAS, One of those programs is the library-based literacy playroom where families learn important literacy skills, have fun, read and play together with instruction and guidance from trained staff; and
- WHEREAS, This program is aligned with the Library's mission of providing quality early childhood literacy programming to urban communities, and the Library desires to engage CONNECTIONS to provide a literacy playroom at its Woodland Branch; and.
- WHEREAS, Family Connections has submitted a proposal to develop a curriculum for the literacy playroom, hire a part-time coordinator to work at the Woodland Branch playroom and to promote the playroom throughout the community, and to operate it two to three times a week for two hour sessions each for a period of one year; and
- WHEREAS, The cost to the Library of these services will be Thirty-Six Thousand, One Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents (\$36,163.76); now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, is authorized to enter into and execute an agreement with Family Connections of Northeast Ohio in the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand, One Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents (\$36,163.76) to establish and operate a literacy playroom at the Woodland Branch of the Cleveland Public Library for a period of one year, which expenditures shall be charged to the Founders Fund No. 20380103-53710 (Professional Services), and which agreement shall be subject to the approval of the Library's Chief Legal Officer.