

# Resolution

**Rose E. Mosley**

**LIBRARY LEADER LIBRARY EDUCATOR LIBRARY ADVOCATE  
COMMUNITY PARTNER LIBRARY FRIEND**

**WHEREAS**, Rose E. Mosley was first elected to the Maywood Public Library Board in 1983 and having served thirty-six years already, she was re-elected for the seventh time in April of 2019 and was sworn in on May 22, 2019;

**WHEREAS**, Rose E. Mosley passed away on Tuesday, September 10, 2019; we take this opportunity to honor her for her dedication to the library world and all of those she touched with her message of the importance of education and literacy;

**WHEREAS**, Rose E. Mosley served as President of the Maywood Public Library at least five times (in her own words), served on many committees, was totally committed to the Maywood community and the Maywood Public Library and during her tenure as President, the library mortgage was paid off;

**WHEREAS**, Rose E. Mosley became a member of the Illinois Library Association Trustee Forum in 1990 and held the offices of Secretary, Vice-President, and President. During her tenure, she consistently strived to bring more organization to the Forum and served as chairman of the Revision Bylaws Committee bringing them up to the standards of the time, allowing additional participation for members who wanted a voice in trustee activities. In recognition of her hard work on the ILA Trustee Forum Executive Board and her work for libraries on the local and national level, she was honored with the Outstanding Illinois Library Association Trustee Award and Citation for 1998;

**WHEREAS**, Rose E. Mosley was also an outstanding member of the American Library Association. She began her membership in 1986 and began attending meetings to learn the role of the library trustee. She held every office in the original ALA Trustee Division, The Association of Library Trustees and Advocates. In 2008 she became one of the pioneers suggesting that the ALA Trustee Organization (ALTA) and Friends Organization (FOLUSA) combine to make a stronger division within ALA. When this was accomplished, Rose became the second president to lead the group. It is known today as United for Libraries, bringing together all the volunteer advocates of libraries: Trustees, Friends, Foundations and Corporate supporters. This was a monumental change as all groups accepted the new ALA Division which was accomplished in February of 2009. Rose served as the President of United for Libraries from 2009 – 2010. Rose was a member of every committee during her tenure with ALA United for Libraries: Nominations, Awards, Local Arrangements, Conference Programming, Specialized Outreach Services, Leadership Development and Legislation. She was a valuable member of each when she served.;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT ROSE E. MOSLEY WAS AN EXEMPLARY CITIZEN, TIRELESS LIBRARY ADVOCATE, A VISIONARY AND EXCEPTIONAL LEADER, FRIEND TO ALL, ALWAYS READY TO LEND A HAND, ACCEPTING AND WILLING TO SHARE HER KNOWLEDGE WITH EVERYONE.

*We will miss Rose E. Mosley. We honor her and her life today.*

Proclaimed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019

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Peggy J. Danhof, Past President  
Illinois Library Association Trustee Forum and  
American Library Association United for Libraries