

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1708

A RESOLUTION congratulating Joanne Budler on receiving the 2013 Librarian of the Year Award from the *Library Journal*.

WHEREAS, Joanne Budler, the Kansas State Librarian, is *Library Journal's* choice for 2013 Librarian of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Jo Budler was appointed State Librarian for the State of Kansas in March 2010 by Kansas Governor, Mark Parkinson. Ms. Budler was reappointed in 2011 by Governor Sam Brownback; and

WHEREAS, Before coming to Kansas, Ms. Budler served as the State Librarian of Ohio for six years. Previously, she was the Deputy State Librarian for the Library of Michigan and the Director of Network Services in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Budler, originally from Queens, New York, graduated from Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Composition. She received her Master's degree in Library Science and another Master's degree of Fine Arts in Writers' Workshop, both from the University of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Shortly after coming to Kansas, Ms. Budler worked hard to preserve the Kansas Library's collection in electronic format by creating a new e-book platform. This new platform saved the State of Kansas a considerable amount of money and is now being used by several e-book users of America's libraries; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Budler's dedication to the Kansas State Library is an inspiring example of hard work and ingenuity. Her work for the State Library is appreciated by all Kansans, and her inventive problem-solving skills provide a true asset to the Kansas State Library: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate Joanne Budler on receiving the 2013 Librarian of the Year Award from the *Library Journal*. Her award will be celebrated by Kansans across the state as they appreciate the State Library's new e-book platform; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide five enrolled copies of this resolution to Joanne Budler.

Senate Resolution No. 1708 was sponsored by Senator Vicki Schmidt.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*