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**THE NEW YORK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONGRATULATES LAUREN MOORE  
ON BEING APPOINTED NEW YORK STATE LIBRARIAN**

**ALBANY, NY** – The New York Library Association would like to congratulate Lauren Moore, NYLA Councilor-at-Large on being appointed the New York State Librarian!

Lauren Moore received her MLIS in 2005 from the University of Pittsburgh, and since then she has dedicated countless hours to librarianship and guaranteeing equitable access to education for all. Moore has served on the NYLA Council as a Councilor-at-Large since 2017. During her tenure she has been a strong advocate for equitable access to education, improving diversity and inclusion within librarianship, and most recently the importance of the 2020 Census. She is a Commissioner on the New York State Complete Count Commission for the 2020 Census and has [testified to the necessity and challenges of getting each New Yorker counted](#).

In addition to being a NYLA Councilor-at-Large, Moore has also served as an instructor for NYLA's Leadership & Management Academy budget and finance course; a member of the 2016 NYLA Civil Service Task Force; Chair of NYLA's 2020 Census Task Force; and a member of NYLA's Legislative Committee. She has presented on topics such as advocacy for small and rural libraries and the 2020 Census at NYLA's Annual Conference & Trade Show.

Outside of NYLA, Moore has been working as a Librarian since 2005 when she started in the Community Library of Castle Shannon, in Castle Shannon, PA. After nearly a decade of working in libraries in both Pennsylvania and New York, she began working at the Pioneer Library System in 2013 as the Assistant Director, where a year later she became the Executive Director. She has been Chair of the Public Library System Directors Organization and a Steering Committee Member for the New Yorkers for Better Libraries PAC.

Moore has served on a magnitude of committees and commissions, always putting her passion for equitable access to education first. Serving as the Board President of the Coordinated Childhood Development Program is one of the things she is most proud of; their programs include childcare, Head Start, Universal Pre-Kindergarten, before and after school programs and full-time summer programs for school-age children.

**Jeremy Johannesen, Executive Director of the New York Library Association:** “As both a Councilor-at-Large and Director of Pioneer Library System, Lauren has shown how dedicated and passionate she is about library issues. Her work has made the profession better and we look forward to working with her in her new role as New York State Librarian.”

**About NYLA:**

The New York Library Association (NYLA) is the voice of the library community in New York. NYLA is the oldest state library association in the country and represents school, college, special and public libraries, library staff, trustees, and students from around the state.

NYLA is the only statewide organization dedicated to advocating on behalf of all libraries and library staff in Albany and serves as the spokesperson on library matters to the media and public policymakers.

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