



RECOGNITION

- WHEREAS,** John Halliday has been Executive Director of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library since 1997, overseeing the building of two new libraries; and
- WHEREAS,** during the process leading up to the building of the libraries John managed multiple public meetings to gain input and ideas for the new libraries and incorporated as many ideas as possible and to this day both libraries have demonstrated impressive growth and usage by the public; and
- WHEREAS,** the demonstrated success of the new libraries has led to the creation of several friend groups who are now exploring new libraries in their area of the Jefferson-Madison system; and
- WHEREAS,** while spending hundreds of hours managing two new library projects, John has maintained a high standard of operation for the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, a system of eight libraries, 100 plus employees and over 200 volunteers; and
- WHEREAS,** John is a published children's authority, a professional at every aspect, a gifted communicator and an excellent administrator who is passionate about making library services available for all.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that, we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby congratulate John Halliday on receiving the 2016 George Mason Award for his overall excellent leadership, opening two new libraries: an 18,300 square foot library in Crozet and a 30,000 square foot library in Albemarle County, and his ability to operate a library system that covers four counties and a city.

Signed and sealed this 14th day of December, 2016.

Liz Palmer, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors