

**ACTION ITEM  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**DATE:** December 15, 2009

**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Cathy Riddle *CR*  
Public Information Administrator  
**ISSUE:** A Proclamation to Recognize and Commend the Central Rappahannock Regional Library for Earning the "Star Library" Designation

**BUDGET IMPACT:** N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:** (2)

- [1] Background Report [2] **Reso/Ord/Proc** # P09-25
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**REVIEW:** [X] County Administrator's Office



- [X] **Consent Agenda** [ ] **Other Business** [ ] **Public Hearing**
- [ ] **Discussion Item** [ ] **Presentation** [ ] **Unfinished Business**
- [ ] **New Business**

**PRESENTATION BY:** N/A

**ELECTION DISTRICT:** Falmouth District

**REQUESTED BY:** George H. Schwartz

**BACKGROUND REPORT**

The Central Rappahannock Regional Library (CRRL) has been designated as a “Star Library” by the Library Journal Index, a new national rating system designed to recognize America’s best public libraries. The CRRL was chosen based on its commitment to continuous improvement, and the number of citizens who visit the facility to check out books and other material, use the Internet, and attend special programs. Proposed Proclamation P09-25 recognizes the library for its accomplishments.

PROPOSED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF STAFFORD  
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

PROCLAMATION

At a regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors (the Board) held in the Board Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center, Stafford, Virginia, on the 15th day of December 2009:

MEMBERS:

George H. Schwartz, Chairman  
Harry E. Crisp II, Vice Chairman  
M. S. "Joe" Brito  
Mark Dudenhefer  
Paul V. Milde III  
Cord A. Sterling  
Robert "Bob" Woodson

VOTE:

On motion of , seconded by , which carried by a vote of , the following was adopted:

RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE CENTRAL RAPPAHANNOCK  
REGIONAL LIBRARY FOR BEING AWARDED THE "STAR LIBRARY"  
DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, the Library Journal Index, a new national rating system designed to recognize America's best public libraries, has named the Central Rappahannock Regional Library (CRRL) a "Star Library;" and

WHEREAS, this recognition is based not only on circulation and visits by the public, but also on program attendance and public Internet computer use, measurements that clearly define the CRRL's increasingly crucial role in the community during difficult economic times; and

WHEREAS, the recognition acknowledges the library's understanding of community needs and interest, and its commitment to continuous improvement; and

WHEREAS, the award names public libraries in America that demonstrate the highest levels of cost-effective service and the most efficient use of tax dollars in the provision of excellent library service; and

WHEREAS, the award recognizes the CRRL's pursuit of creative partnerships that allow expanded library service for Stafford County residents; and

WHEREAS, the new state-of-the-art England Run Branch, scheduled to open in 2010, has been recognized by the American Institute of Architects as an exemplary blend of traditional library elements with the latest in public library service and design trends; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to bring to the attention of citizens everywhere the vital role that our excellent public libraries play in the current and future success of our county, state and the nation, and to acknowledge the pride with which its employees provide outstanding services at an exceptional value;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009, that the Central Rappahannock Regional Library be and it hereby is commended for earning the "Star Library" designation.

AJR/CLR/mfl