

LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD REPORT

March 11, 2021

TO: Board of Library Commissioners
FROM: John F. Szabo, City Librarian
SUBJECT: **ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Commissioners adopts the findings listed below:

That \$6,500 be transferred from the Library Foundation and deposited into Trust Fund 831. \$3,500 will be deposited to Trust Account No. 337 for donations from the Righteous Persons Foundation. \$3,000 will be deposited to Trust Account No. 336 for donations from the Muriel Pollia Foundation.

That the Board approve the attached Resolution.

FINDINGS:

1. The Library Foundation will transfer \$3,500 from the Righteous Persons Foundation Fund. Steven Spielberg awarded a grant of \$100,000 through his Righteous Persons Foundation in 2008 to maintain and develop the Judaism Collection of the Social Science, Philosophy and Religion Department of the Central Library. The emphasis is placed on the faith as expressed in its sacred works and works about them, the Jewish experience in America, and Judaism's interrelationships with other faiths.
2. The Library Foundation will transfer \$3,000 from the Muriel Pollia Foundation Fund. The Muriel Pollia Foundation donated \$75,000 in 2008 to maintain and develop an Asian Religion and Philosophy Collection of the Central Library. Dr. Muriel Pollia was personally and professionally very involved in Asian religion and philosophy.
3. These funds will be used in accordance with the guidelines specified by the Righteous Persons Foundation Fund and the Muriel Pollia Foundation Fund to enhance the collections of the Social Science, Philosophy and Religion Department of the Central Library, which has one of the most significant collections of philosophy and religion titles of any public library in the United States.

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LIBRARY RESOLUTION NO. XXXX-XX (X-XX)

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Commissioners approve the transfer of \$6,500 from the Library Foundation of Los Angeles (LFLA) to the Library Department for Fiscal Year 2020-21, to be deposited as follows:

- \$3,500 to be deposited into Trust Fund 831, Account No. 337, from the Righteous Persons Foundation Fund to maintain and develop the Judaism Collection of the Social Science, Philosophy, Religion Department of the Central Library.

- \$3,000 to be deposited into Trust Fund 831, Account No. 336 from the Muriel Pollia Foundation Fund to maintain and develop the Asian Religion and Philosophy Collection of the Central Library.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That these funds be used in accordance with the guidelines specified by the Righteous Persons and the Muriel Pollia Foundations.

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