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October 18, 2018

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Honorable Ralph S. Northam

Governor of Virginia

The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, Jr. The Honorable Emmett W. Hanger, Jr. Co-Chairmen, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable S. Chris Jones

Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Frank M. Ruff, Jr.

Chairman, Senate General Laws and Technology

The Honorable Christopher K. Peace Chairman, House General Laws

cc: Holly Coy

Deputy Secretary of Education

From: Sandra G. Treadway

Librarian of Virginia

Subject: Annual Report on Compliance with the State Publications Depository Act for

2017-2018

## Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the provisions of §42.1-97 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>, I am pleased to provide the annual report for November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018 indicating which state agencies did not furnish or otherwise make available copies of their publications or other information as required under this chapter. The response on behalf of agencies to the request by the Library of Virginia was overwhelmingly positive with a net deposit of 816 documents that will be permanently available for the educational and research use of all Virginians.

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## ANNUAL REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE PUBLICATIONS DEPOSITORY ACT 2017-2018

Per the instructions in §42.1-97 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>, requiring the Librarian of Virginia to report annually to the Governor and the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on General Laws and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees of the General Assembly, indicating which, if any, state agencies did not furnish or otherwise make available copies of their publications or other information required under this chapter, I wish to advise you on compliance with the Act through 31 October 2018.

The role of the State Publications Depository Program, described in §42.1-92 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u> includes the following:

"... the General Assembly recognizes that an informed citizenry is indispensable to the proper functioning of a democratic society. In order to remain informed, citizens must know about the activities of their government and benefit from information developed at public expense. Through the administration of the State Publications Depository Program, citizens will be ensured continued access to state publications, regardless of geographical location in the Commonwealth."

To that end, the Library of Virginia contacts, at least annually, every state agency, commission and board to inquire about their publications during that year, and to ensure that the Library of Virginia has received copies of their digital publications for preservation and access at the Library or paper copies for distribution to designated state publications depository libraries around the state. The Library also requests a list of publications currently available to the public.

State agencies have deposited 816 digital state publications in the Library's publicly accessible repository since our last report. As of this writing, eighty-nine per cent of state agencies have reported. Below are the agencies that have not yet responded:

Department of Elections
Department of Health
Department of Historic Resources
Department of Housing and Community Development
Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity
Department of State Police
Gunston Hall
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
James Madison University
John Tyler Community College

Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission
Lord Fairfax Community College
Mountain Empire Community College
Rappahannock Community College
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Highlands Community College
Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a report of progress to date.