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LIBRARY BOARD CONSIDERING DEDICATION OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BRANCH CHILDREN'S AREA IN HONOR OF CARLA SANGER

Los Angeles, May 19, 2015 – The Board of Library Commissioners is considering a request to dedicate the Children's Area of the Benjamin Franklin Branch at 2200 E. First St. in honor of Carla Sanger, who was President and CEO of LA's BEST (Better Educated Students for Tomorrow), an afterschool enrichment, recreation and nutrition program that is a partnership between the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD).

Sanger is a nationally known advocate for children and the programming to keep them safe after school hours. She grew LA's BEST from 10 schools at its inception in 1988 to 194 schools by her retirement in 2014. She helped write and advocated for the passage of Proposition 49 in 2002, which earmarked funding for before and after school programming. She also established "Beyond the Bell," an after-school program launched by LAUSD.

As part of its consideration, the Board encourages the public to submit written comments during a three-month period from May 14 to Aug. 14, 2015, to: Board of Library Commissioners, Los Angeles Public Library, 630 West Fifth St., Los Angeles, CA 90071. Comments may also be emailed to rborden@lapl.org.

The Board policy for dedication is available at: www.lapl.org/about-lapl/board-library-commissioners.

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