NEWS RELEASE



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 17, 2022 No. 22-22

GPO MEDIA CONTACT: GARY SOMERSET 202.512.1957 | mb 202.355.3997 | gsomerset@gpo.gov

GPO NAMES INDIANA STATE LIBRARY AS 2022 FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY OF THE YEAR

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) names Indiana State Library as the 2022 Federal Depository Library of the Year. The library was selected for its excellent promotion and preservation of Government information and for its programs that improve awareness and literacy of Government information. The library began collecting Federal documents when it opened in 1825, and the collection has been growing ever since. The Indiana State Library has one of the largest printed collections of U.S. Government publications in the country.

"This is the first Library of the Year I am awarding since beginning my role as GPO Superintendent of Documents, and I can't imagine a more deserving library," said GPO Superintendent of Documents Scott Matheson. "Indiana State Library's long-standing dedication to promoting and preserving Government information is something to be admired. Through its much-loved Government Information Day and other crucial efforts, Indiana State Library has played an important role in helping GPO realize its vision of an *America Informed*."

"We are honored to receive this award. The Indiana State Library strives to be a leader and steward of information for the present and future generations, and the Federal Document Collection is an important resource with a wealth of knowledge. I appreciate the strong partnership with GPO and the Agency's leadership in this area," said Jacob Speer, Indiana State Librarian.

Indiana State Library provides instructions on accessing Government information to the entire state of Indiana for both school-aged children and adults. It hosts a Government Information Day, a free biennial conference for librarians interested in learning about Government resources and improving information literacy. The Indiana State Library Regional Coordinator runs and maintains the Indiana Federal Documents website, which features several guides, resources, and blogs related to Government information. The library's weekly newsletter includes a "Government Information Minute" highlighting Government information resources. As a Preservation Steward, the library preserves the

NEWS RELEASE



Official gazette of the United States Patent Office (1872-1965), Public Papers of the Presidents (1984-2012), Acts of Congress (1789-1877), Statutes at Large (1877-1965), and more.

GPO is the Federal Government's resource for publishing trusted information for the Federal Government to the American people. The GPO is responsible for the production and distribution of information products and services for all three branches of the Federal Government, including U.S. passports for the Department of State as well as the official publications of Congress, the White House, and other Federal agencies in digital and print formats. GPO provides for permanent public access to Federal Government information at no charge through www.govInfo.gov and partnerships with approximately 1,100 libraries nationwide participating in the Federal Depository Library Initiative. For more information, please visit www.gpo.gov.

###