Depository Library Council

Advisory body to the Director of the U.S. Government Publishing Office

October 12, 2022 Scott Matheson, Superintendent of Documents Government Publishing Office 732 North Capitol Street, NW Washington, DC 20401

Dear Superintendent Matheson,

On behalf of the Depository Library Council (DLC), I would like to extend congratulations on your recent appointment as Superintendent of Documents for the Government Publishing Office (GPO). We are particularly pleased to have a former DLC member and Council Chair serve in this role who will add knowledge of GPO's operations, services, and statutory authority. Your Council work, in addition to your multiple roles within the American Association of Law Libraries, will provide the community added depth as we continue the migration to digital collection while we work to be more inclusive of all peoples and voices.

Your extensive knowledge of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) and your commitment to ensuring that government information is more discoverable, accessible, and permanent are recognized assets in the Federal Depository community. Your colleagues across the country have noted that your knowledge, skills, and experience are excellent attributes for the position of Superintendent of Documents, particularly as GPO moves forward with initiatives such as *GPO's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan* and the new *National Collection of Government Public Information: Strategic Plan*. Your work on the *Task Force on a Digital Federal Depository Library Program* also makes you well-positioned to take any necessary next steps in realizing the recommendations of that task force.

This is an especially exciting and important time to work on ensuring free, public access to U.S. government information. The Depository Library Council and government information librarians across the country are pleased that you will be leading many of the efforts to ensure this access. Again, the Depository Library Council offers its congratulations and its support to you in your new role. We wish you all the best, and we look forward to working with you on the vision of an *America Informed*.

Respectfully,

Chair, Depository Library Council

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