**Virginia Library Leadership Academy (VALLA) 2020**

**LETTER OF SUPPORT**

**Applicant’s Name:**

The employee requesting this letter of support is a candidate for the 2020 Virginia Library Leadership Academy (VALLA) to be held in Staunton on March 30 and April 1, 2020. As part of their application, they will be submitting a personal statement and brief description of one or two ideas for a project they will complete. The project should be something that will benefit your organization or be of interest to libraries in general, and after it is completed the student will be asked to make a presentation about the results at a library conference or in an article in a professional journal.

In one page or less, please provide your opinion about this candidate’s potential for benefitting from VALLA and for pursuing the project. Are you, as his or her employer, willing to provide guidance and support to this effort, in addition to the guidance which will be available to the cohort after the academy through online collaborations? Please be sure to include your name, the candidate’s name, and your email address. Email to: vlavalla2020@gmail.com