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Patricia M. Wong Appointed Yolo County Librarian

(Woodland, CA) – Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mariko Yamada today announced the appointment of Patricia M. Wong as Yolo County Librarian. Ms. Wong will be filling the position currently filled by Interim County Librarian Roger Pearson. Ms. Wong has served with the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library since 2001, most recently as Deputy Director of Library Services managing the daily operation of the Central Library, twelve branches, a bookmobile and a mobile youth literacy vehicle.

"Ms. Wong comes to Yolo County at an important time," said Chair Yamada. "We have much to do following the successful passage of the Davis Branch Library Community Facilities District Special Tax (Measure P), and as we embark on the building of new libraries in West Sacramento and Winters. We are pleased to welcome someone with her broad experience and expertise aboard."

Prior to her tenure as Deputy Director of Library Services in the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library system, Ms. Wong held positions as Library Program Manager for Children's Services in the Oakland Public Library and Supervising Librarian and Children's Librarian for the Berkeley Public Library. Ms. Wong obtained her both bachelors degree and Masters in Library and Information Science from the University of California at Berkeley. Ms. Wong is the co-author and/or co-editor of numerous publications, most recently *California Cultural Crossroads* in the California State Library, and has held a number of elected office positions in organizations such including the American Library Association, and the United States Board on Books for Young People.

"Yolo County offers many diverse opportunities to grow and learn and play," said Patricia Wong. "The county and the library are committed to providing quality service to all residents and I am honored to be a part of that rich tradition. I look forward to working together to create a strong library system, responsive to the needs of the communities we serve."

Mr. Wong will assume her new responsibilities in early 2008. The annual salary range for this position is \$100,488 - \$122,160.