

## **For Immediate Release**

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ALBANY, NY Over 800 library supporters will gather in Albany on Tuesday, March 5th to advocate for libraries and meet with their state legislators.

Since 2007, Library Aid has been reduced by over 20% from \$102 million to \$81.6 million. The New York Library Association (NYLA) is seeking restoration of Library Aid to \$102 million.

Along with many state Senators and Assemblymembers, David Vinjamuri, writer of the “Brand Truth” column online for *Forbes*. will be attending and speaking at Library Advocacy Day to show support for library funding.

At 11:30, library advocates will rally in "The Well" of the LOB to voice their support for library funding and provide a visual demonstration of the strength of the library community to legislators and their staffs.

WHO: New York Library Association

WHERE: Concourse Level of the Empire State Plaza, Meeting Room 6

WHAT: Library supporters from across the state will come to Albany to advocate for libraries and meet with their state legislators.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 8:00am –noon

About NYLA:

The New York Library Association (NYLA) is the voice of the library community in New York. NYLA is the oldest state library association in the country and represents school, college, special and public libraries, library staff, trustees, and students from around the state.

NYLA is the only statewide organization dedicated to advocating on behalf of all libraries and library staff in Albany and serves as the spokesperson on library matters to the media and public policymakers.

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