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**THE NEW YORK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONGRATULATES GRACE RIARIO,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RAMAPO CATSKILL LIBRARY SYSTEM**

ALBANY, NY – The New York Library Association would like to congratulate Grace Riario newly elected Treasurer-Elect on being name Executive Director of the Ramapo Catskill Library System (RCLS), Middletown, NY. Grace is the first Latina public library system director in New York State.

Riario has been a librarian for the past 15 years, the last 7 of which has been spent at RCLS. She received her MLS from Queens College and a Master of Public Administration from Penn State University. Throughout her career, Riario has been most proud of helping libraries obtain sustainable funding and working on projects that shape the field of librarianship for the future generations.



Riario has been an active member of NYLA, serving as a Councilor-at-Large from 2015-2018. During this year's elections she was elected NYLA Treasurer-Elect, where she will serve for 2 years, beginning November 2019, before becoming NYLA Treasurer for an additional two years.

In addition to her work on NYLA Council, Riario has contributed to the development of New York State Library Trustee education and updating library minimum standards.

Jeremy Johannesen, Executive Director of the New York Library Association: "NYLA is greatly looking forward to having Grace on Council once again. In addition to working with her as a Council member, we are excited to continue to grow our relationship with RCLS with her as their Executive Director. "

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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