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Hartford Public Library Appoints New Chief Administrative Officer

Hartford, Conn. (September 27, 2011) – Hartford Public Library, the largest public library in Connecticut, today announced the appointment of Mary T. Tzambazakis as chief administrative officer (CAO), replacing Julio Molleda who was recently named finance director for the City of Hartford. In her new role, Ms. Tzambazakis will oversee the day-to-day financial and administrative operations of the Library. As CAO, Ms. Tzambazakis will be responsible for achieving strategic financial objectives, overseeing budgets and forecasts, analyzing financial, departmental and organizational activities, validating service delivery models for the Library, human resources, facilities and security.

“I am pleased to have Mary Tzambazakis join the senior leadership team,” said Matthew K. Poland, the Library’s chief executive officer. “The focus of our senior leadership team is to guide our organization as we actively pursue new and emerging sources of funding and technologies to meet the needs of our customers as a 21st century public library. The depth of experience, fiscal perspective and organizational acumen that Ms. Tzambazakis brings will be invaluable in helping the Library achieve its strategic vision.”

Prior to joining the Library, Ms. Tzambazakis served as the town manager in Ware MA. She also served as the finance director for the City of Springfield MA from 2004 through 2008. Prior to that appointment, Ms. Tzambazakis was with CIGNA. She began her career in finance in the City of Springfield in 1985 before she left in 1997 to join CIGNA.

A graduate of the Western New England College, she received her MBA from the American International University and her law degree from Western New England School of Law.

About Hartford Public Library

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Visit hplct.org and the library's new blog at blogs.hplct.org.