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**BOOK DIGITIZATION PROJECT PROPOSAL COVER SHEET
FY 2009**

PROJECT NAME:

Illinois Culture and History Online: Western Illinois History

CARLI MEMBER INSTITUTION:

Western Illinois University Libraries

PROPOSAL INFORMATION:

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(Include the **name, title, full U.S. Postal address, phone number, and e-mail address** of a contact person at each participating library.)

N/A _____

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Illinois Culture and History Online: Western Illinois History

Description of Materials to be Digitized

Western Illinois University Libraries proposes to digitize numerous books for which it is the publisher or for which digital copyright has been secured. These books all relate to the unique culture and heritage of the western Illinois region, defined as a sixteen county region in west-central Illinois, from Rock Island County in the north to Calhoun County in the south, and the counties located between the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers. Western Illinois University is the region's leading research institution, and it has a long tradition of publishing books relating our region's culture and heritage. This project is a sample of those materials, including books on Mormon Nauvoo, Nauvoo journalist Thomas Gregg, Hancock County's United States Secretary of State John Hay, Western Illinois University history, and published personal memoirs of everyday Illinois residents. Making these materials available digitally is a clear extension of our commitment to promoting our region's unique culture and heritage, and represents a positive contribution to preserving Illinois' rich heritage and culture digitally

How the Proposal Addresses the Theme Illinois Culture and Heritage

All of the proposed titles relate explicitly to the history and culture of Illinois, particularly the western Illinois region. They describe the communities where people lived, their daily activities, public institutions, famous residents, and how the people of Illinois impacted each other. The personal memoirs series, *Tales from Two Rivers*, is an especially important contribution, as all of the contributions are primary source depictions of life in Illinois during the twentieth century. All of the proposed titles will contribute positively to documenting the history and culture of the people of Illinois. They will be of interest to secondary and post secondary students and the general public alike.

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Research Libraries in IllinoisInstitutional Affirmation of Eligibility
CARLI Book Digitization Initiative

Full Proposal Title:

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Title of library/institution's responsibilities (or subject) within the overall proposal:

WIU will provide books for which it either owns or has secured copyright to CARLI for digitization.

This proposal for the CARLI Collection Enhancement Awards Program has been reviewed by my office and is approved for submission. If required by our institution, the proposal has been submitted for review and approval through our institution's administrative office(s) in full compliance with policies and procedures for proposal submissions.

Signature of Library Director, Dean, or official designee

Phyllis C. Self

Print name

Title

Western Illinois University

Library/Institution

2/18/08

Date