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THE HONORABLE DAVID S. FERRIERO
ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES

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AWARD PRESENTATION

2018 NATIONAL ARCHIVES FOUNDATION
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to

LAURA BUSH

DISCUSSION

COKIE ROBERTS *and* LAURA BUSH

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On behalf of the board of the National Archives Foundation and Patrick Madden, our Executive Director, we welcome you to the 2018 Records of Achievement Award Ceremony.

As the National Archives' nonprofit partner, our Foundation generates financial and creative support to assist the National Archives and Records Administration with its mission of making some of the billions of federal documents, photographs, films and artifacts more accessible to the public. Our mission is to make the American story compelling and exciting through exhibitions, events, programs and educational initiatives.

Whether it's reading the Declaration of Independence on the Fourth of July, commemorating the Emancipation Proclamation, or preparing for the upcoming exhibition entitled *Rightfully Hers: American Women and the Vote*, it is our goal to celebrate the unique American story and ensure that all Americans have the opportunity to learn about our past.

Tonight we thank David Ferriero, the Archivist of the United States, for the opportunity to join him in this important partnership.

We also welcome and thank tonight's Sponsors AT&T and Edgeworth Economics who have joined us to support this wonderful event, as well as all our supporters who assist the Foundation in a myriad of ways throughout the year.

Tonight we present our highest honor to Laura Bush in recognition of her dedication and commitment to building a literate and civically engaged global community.

We commend our former First Lady for her unwavering work to share her love of learning with the world.

From her work as a teacher and librarian, to her work as First Lady and at the George W. Bush Center, Laura Bush believes that education can take children anywhere they wish to go in life.

The former First Lady once said, "A love of books, of holding a book, turning its pages, looking at its pictures, and living its fascinating stories goes hand-in-hand with a love of learning." This is a belief that we share at the Archives Foundation and one that motivates us to do the work we do every single day.

We are delighted to recognize Mrs. Bush for not only inspiring our nation's children to learn about the American story, but ensuring that these children take part in writing the story's next chapter.

Governor James J. Blanchard
CHAIR, NATIONAL ARCHIVES FOUNDATION



Welcome to the National Archives on this special evening as we honor former First Lady Laura Bush. Eighteen years ago, in her first national address, Laura Bush revealed that she decided to become a teacher when she was in the second grade. In fact, her first endeavors in teaching were with her dolls!

Throughout her career, Laura Bush has been an educator, a librarian, the First Lady of Texas, the First Lady of the United States, and a global advocate through the George W. Bush Presidential Center. The common thread linking her life's work together is this intrinsic love of learning that Laura Bush continues to share with the world.

As a former librarian myself, I have a special appreciation for Laura's passion for literacy. But we share much more than the former title of librarian. I believe that we—the National Archives and our partner, the National Archives Foundation—share a vision with Laura Bush. A vision in which civic participation in American democracy is rooted in establishing a love of reading and history in the children of our nation.

At the "Spirit of Liberty: At Home, In the World" event last year, Laura Bush stated "We must prepare our children and grandchildren with the tools they need to be informed, engaged citizens who care about individual liberty and democracy. We must teach them history. We must insist they understand the government they are blessed to live under. We must teach our children to listen, to show empathy, to show civility in the face of disagreement, and to overcome malice and hate. And we must model the behavior ourselves."

At the National Archives, we work to provide children with the tools they need to understand history and become active participants in our government. We recently launched a new civic education webpage to make our education initiatives accessible to parents, teachers, and students. DocsTeach, our online tool for teaching with documents, features more than 10,500 primary source documents and interactive activities for teachers and students. And we host educational programs throughout the year, including two children's sleepovers in the National Archives Building.

With the support of the National Archives Foundation and generous benefactors like you, we are able to make this shared vision of civic engagement a reality. We are able to provide these educational resources, host important events like our annual 4th of July Reading of the Declaration of Independence, and launch new exhibitions at our museum and the presidential libraries. And we will launch our next exhibit "Rightfully Hers" this March on the 19th Amendment and women's right to vote.

Tonight, we celebrate this shared vision between Laura Bush and the National Archives family. Through the work of the former First Lady, the National Archives, and the National Archives Foundation, we're striving for a nation in which all children have the same love of learning that drove second-grader Laura Bush to pursue her dreams and make the world a better place.

David S. Ferriero
ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES



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RECORDS *of* ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Records of Achievement Award is an annual tribute given by the National Archives Foundation recognizing individuals who have made a significant impact upon the public's understanding of the United States and its history. The accomplishments of the awardees reflect the Foundation's mission by highlighting the stories found in the billions of documents, photographs, maps, films, and recordings in the National Archives to bring about a fuller understanding of our national experience.

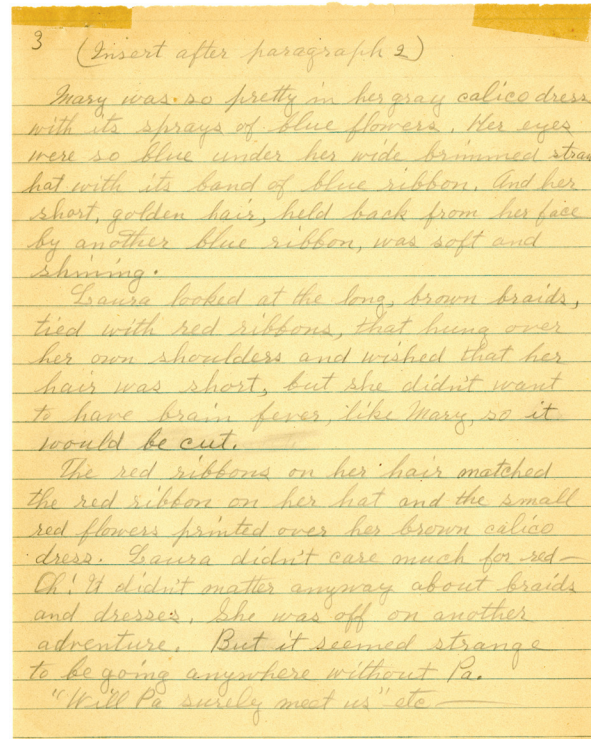


The award medallion is composed of bronze from the document encasements which were removed from the Rotunda of the National Archives during the 2003 renovation.

Previous recipients of this award include: Steven Spielberg, Ken Burns, David M. Rubenstein, the late John Hope Franklin, David McCullough, Tom Brokaw, Annette Gordon-Reed, Brian Lamb and C-SPAN, James McPherson, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ron Chernow, Thomas Kail, Taylor Branch, Robert Edsel and Tom Hanks.

RECORDS OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Facsimile



Holograph insert to the draft of *By the Shores of Silver Lake*, Rose Wilder Lane Papers, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum, National Archives and Records Administration

The 2018 Records of Achievement Award presented to First Lady Laura Bush features a handwritten insert by Laura Ingalls Wilder to a typescript draft of her fifth "Little House" novel, *By the Shores of Silver Lake*. This insert was added to an early draft attempting to explain succinctly how Mary, Laura's older sister, had become blind in the intervening time period since *On the Banks of Plum Creek*. Laura Ingalls Wilder is one of our honoree's favorite authors. In 2017 Laura Bush wrote "In the hot, arid lands of West Texas, I tried to imagine being surrounded by tall pine trees and heavy snow. And of course, I identified with the main character—a brown-haired girl named Laura!"



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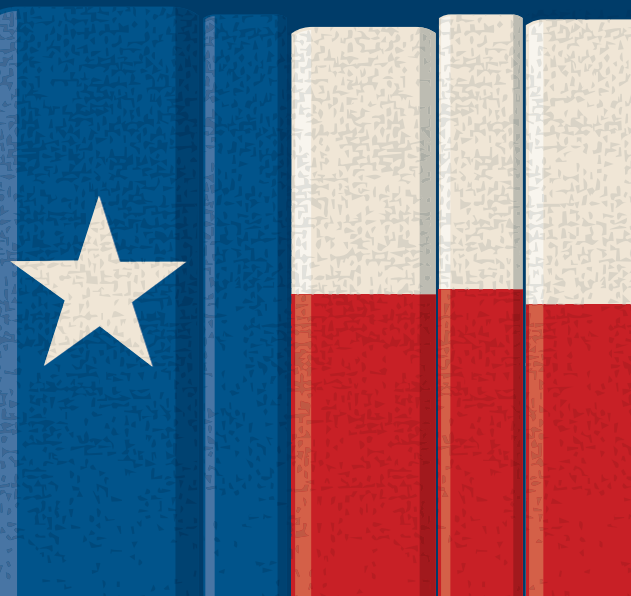
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Congratulations to 2018 Records of Achievement Award recipient, Former First Lady Laura Bush for encouraging so many to aim high

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IT IS OUR PLEASURE
TO HONOR
FORMER FIRST LADY
LAURA BUSH
FOR HER COMMITMENT
TO PROMOTING LITERACY,
EDUCATION, AND
WOMEN'S RIGHTS
ACROSS OUR COUNTRY
AND AROUND THE WORLD.




**GIVE
HER A
HAND.**

DLA Piper is proud to support the National Archives Foundation as it honors former First Lady Laura Bush, the 2018 recipient of its Records of Achievement Award. Through her outreach work, Mrs. Bush has educated, enriched and inspired generations to a deeper appreciation of our country and its ideals and aspirations. We salute her commitment and dedication.



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Former First Lady Laura Bush

for being honored with the 2018 Records of Achievement Award.

Your commitment to literacy and the community is an inspiration to us all.



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