

The Directors of the Library Company of Philadelphia having, for many years,* witnessed the intelligence, zeal and fidelity manifested by their highly respected Friend James Read, (who departed this life on the thirty-first ultimo) in the discharge of his duty as a Director of this Institution, feelingly regret his removal from his Seat at this Board, and sincerely sympathize with his afflicted Family in the irreparable loss they have sustained by his death.

Resolved, That a Copy of the foregoing Minute be communicated to his bereaved Family by Doctor Parke and Mr. Poulson as a Committee of this Board.

Extracted from the Minutes of the Directors, January 2, 1823.

Benjamin R. Morgan
Secretary

* Colonel Read was elected a Director of this Library on the second day of January, 1794, and continued such until the time of his death,