



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

March 14, 2025

David Leonard, President
Boston Public Library
700 Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02116

Dear President Leonard:

On behalf of our Mayor, the honorable Michelle Wu, I'm requesting that the Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library System be renamed in honor of Sarah-Ann Shaw. The requested name is as follows:

Shaw Roxbury Branch Library at Nubian Square

The Mayor looks forward to lifting up the legacy of Boston's first black television news reporter, giant in journalism, and former member of the Friends of the Roxbury Branch Library. It's only fitting that future generations of Bostonians, and Roxbury residents will be inspired and uplifted to learn about the contributions of Sarah-Ann Shaw each time they visit this location.

Sincerely,

Dion Irish
Chief of Operations

CC: Jose Masso, Chief of Human Services