collectionHQ partners with ByWater Solutions
– New partnership aims to help libraries manage collections more efficiently –

GLASGOW, Scotland, November 29th 2023 – Pioneer of library data analytics, collectionHQ, and expert in open source library systems, ByWater Solutions, have today announced their new partnership that will help libraries to manage collections efficiently and cost-effectively.

Both organizations are committed to empowering libraries to harness data-driven technology that will support decision making and help to deliver a better service to the community. It is anticipated that this new partnership will therefore help more libraries to realize the benefits of combining data from their ILS with collectionHQ's powerful data analytics to action collection improvements.

collectionHQ and ByWater Solutions also acknowledge the important role libraries play in representing the voices and backgrounds of all communities in their collections. collectionHQ's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Analysis tool will therefore be central to this new partnership.

Amandeep Kochar, President and CEO of Baker & Taylor, collectionHQ's parent company, shared his thoughts on the partnership:

"We are pleased to extend our partnership with ByWater Solutions to now include the world's leading data and analytics solutions for libraries. collectionHQ is a tool rich in functionality and for years has been helping libraries to crunch ILS data into easy-to-use action plans. By joining forces with ByWater, we can identify opportunities to build more efficient workflows for libraries, so that they can focus on enhancing their collections for the community."

Brendan Gallagher, CEO of ByWater Solutions commented:

"When I was working as a collection development librarian in public libraries - I always wished that I had tools available to me like collectionHQ. With this partnership, we will be able to seamlessly integrate these tools into the Koha acquisitions module to provide the best information and knowledge for enriched and complete collections for each library's users."

About collectionHQ
collectionHQ is the leading collection performance improvement solution, based on the proven Evidence Based Stock Management (EBSM™) methodology. Easy to implement, simple to use and extremely cost-effective, collectionHQ delivers repeatable performance improvements for library collections by providing evidence-based analysis, advice and performance monitoring of all collections across all media. It helps libraries to save money by improving use of existing

inventory and supporting evidence-based purchasing. collectionHQ improves collection performance by analyzing demand and suggesting action plans on how to address this demand – improving the quality of service, demonstrating best value and improving local marketing. collectionHQ is owned by Baker & Taylor, the world's largest distributor of physical and digital books and entertainment products.

More information can be found at www.collectionhq.com.

About ByWater Solutions

ByWater Solutions is a full service, high-quality Open Source support and implementation company dedicated to providing libraries with a lower cost, more advanced level of support for their systems than a traditional proprietary solution can offer. ByWater Solutions has a proven track record in first-rate implementation and support services with library systems of all sizes for the Koha ILS, Aspen Discovery, Folio LSP, Coral ERM, and Libki PC Management.

Our highly ranked, comprehensive support is what sets our company apart from any other vendor in the industry. Partnering with ByWater Solutions not only lowers the cost of implementation and maintenance of OSS but more importantly empowers libraries by giving them the flexibility and freedom they deserve. For more information please visit https://bywatersolutions.com.

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