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## Support the library district

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To Whom It May Concern:

With all due respect I urge you to strongly support a library district on the ballot this November.

Regardless of income level access to information, virtual or on the printed page, is available to all in the public library. When the library doors are shut, everyone in this increasingly diverse community loses.

Citizens and public officials of Multnomah County and the City of Portland are proud of what they have achieved by creating a great library system. Do not let the situation devolve into anything resembling the mess of the 1970s when the county libraries were hardly open.

The idea of a funding district is not new, but now is the time to let it happen. Vote for it.

Sincerely,  
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Sister of Two former employees of the MCL  
Reader and Voting Citizen