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Mr. Andrew Robert Chairperson Manitoba Library Trustees Association Box 590 Erickson MB R0J 0P0

Dear Mr. Robert:

Thank you for your correspondence sharing your interest in the Public Library Review. I also want to express my appreciation for the efforts of the Manitoba Library Trustees Association to encourage its membership to actively participate in the Program and Policy Review.

In addition to the Library Development in Manitoba environmental scan and survey, the review involved a series of regional forums. Library systems were invited to share their local perspectives and priorities directly through these processes. A summary report is expected to be distributed by late summer.

I would like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to the Imagine Creative Manitoba consultation. My department is currently and actively consulting broadly with cultural institutions and the public on the development of a cultural policy for the province. Insight and perspectives from library trustees, library staff and library users is very important to capture through this process. I would appreciate if your association and membership would actively promote and contribute to this process as well.

Please note all submissions are to be received by June 30, 2017 and detailed information about the consultation online at http://gov.mb.ca/imaginecreative.

Thank you for your ongoing support of library service in Manitoba.

Sincerely,

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Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage