



25 April 2017

The Honourable Brad Wall, M.L.A., Premier of Saskatchewan Legislative Building, 2405 Legislative Drive, Room 226 Regina, SK, S4S 0B3

Dear Premier Wall:

On behalf of the Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA), I want to express our sincere appreciation for the government's decision to reinstate 2016-17 funding levels for 2017-18 to the seven regional library systems and the municipal library systems in Regina and Saskatoon. This action supports SLA's statement, that was mentioned to you in my letter, dated April 4, that all residents of the province must have equal access to a variety of library programs and resources.

SLA supports the government's announcement to consult with key stakeholders in the province's library community to develop a long-term strategy for the operation and management of public libraries. Our association credits the government for being very responsive to the needs of library users across Saskatchewan. This action will benefit all residents of Saskatchewan so we that we can continue to have free and unfettered access to the best province-wide public library system in Canada.

Sincerely,

J. Michael Shires

President, Saskatchewan Library Association

cc:

The Honourable Don Morgan, Minister for Education

Mr. Trent Wotherspoon, M.L.A., Leader of the Official Opposition

Ms. Carla Beck, M.L.A., Regina Lakeview

Mr. Erin Weir, M.P., Regina-Lewvan

Honourable Ralph Goodale, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Regina-Wascana



