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To The Board of Trustees
Village of Scarsdale

Subject: Library Renovation and Addition

The beautiful library we enjoy today is a testament to the foresight of previous Scarsdale Boards of Trustees and residents. Then as now, the previous library was serving the community well but use had increased and the Trustees recognized that societal change was making new and increasing demands on libraries. And so they acted.

Our current library was financed by the issuance of long term bonds as well as some private donations. If today's library is to be improved it would be paid for in a similar manner, over a period of 20 to 30 years.

Because we live in a representative democracy it is to be expected that our elected officials will make a thorough study of options, assess public opinion and arrive at an informed decision on the future of our library.

Only you, our elected officials, have all the facts. Only you know all the options. Only you have fiduciary responsibility. To submit the decision on the future of the library to a referendum would be a negation of your responsibility.

I sincerely hope that you vote to approve the library renovation and addition, both for current and future generations of residents. To do so is in Scarsdale's long tradition to provide and maintain the highest level of public facilities and services to the community.



Carol Stix
Long-time resident & former Trustee