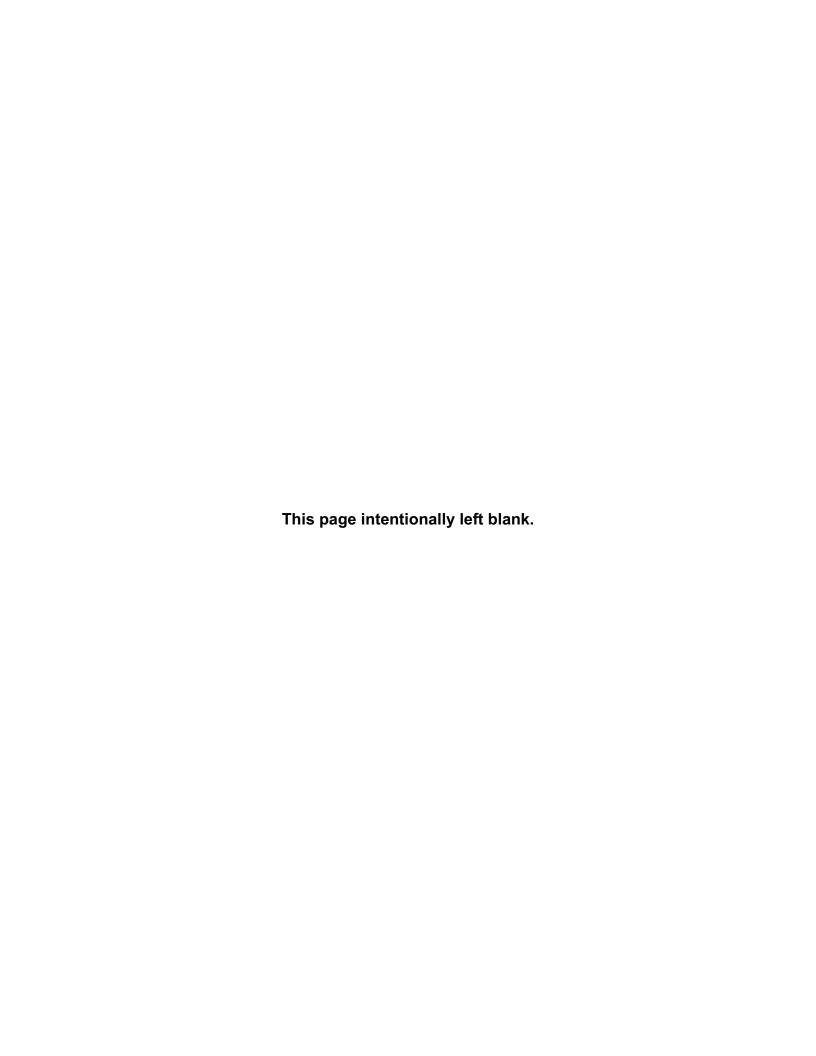




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Oberlin Public Library Lorain County 65 South Main Street Oberlin, Ohio 44074

#### To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

July 11, 2008

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Oberlin Public Library Lorain County 65 South Main Street Oberlin, Ohio 44074

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Oberlin Public Library, Lorain County, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The Library processes its financial transactions with the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to audit the Library because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and as requested, operates UAN. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Library has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Library's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Library does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Libraries to reformat their statements. The Library has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

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In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Library as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of Oberlin Public Library, Lorain County, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Library has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 11, 2008, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

July 11, 2008

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Governmental Fund Types			=	
	General	Capital Projects	Permanent	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$491,749	\$0	\$0	\$491,749	
Library and Local Government Support	507,194			507,194	
Intergovernmental	66,578			66,578	
Patron Fines and Fees	31,923			31,923	
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	25,938		400	26,338	
Earnings on Investments	10,322	15,737	5,313	31,372	
Miscellaneous	2,705			2,705	
Total Cash Receipts	1,136,409	15,737	5,713	1,157,859	
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:					
Salaries	508,269			508,269	
Employee Fringe Benefits	155,048			155,048	
Purchased and Contractual Services	182,799			182,799	
Library Materials and Information	219,696		1,974	221,670	
Supplies	18,631			18,631	
Other	2,108			2,108	
Capital Outlay	16,282	19,974		36,256	
Total Cash Disbursements	1,102,833	19,974	1,974	1,124,781	
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	33,576	(4,237)	3,739	33,078	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	33,576	(4,237)	3,739	33,078	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	205,483	317,010	103,925	626,418	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$239,059	\$312,773	\$107,664	\$659,496	
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	Governmental Fund Types				
	General	Capital Projects	Permanent	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$419,301	\$0	\$0	\$419,301	
Library and Local Government Support	527,733			527,733	
Intergovernmental	23,038			23,038	
Patron Fines and Fees	35,873			35,873	
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	6,351		200	6,551	
Earnings on Investments	18,150	8,454	4,944	31,548	
Miscellaneous	2,265			2,265	
Total Cash Receipts	1,032,711	8,454	5,144	1,046,309	
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:					
Salaries	461,380			461,380	
Employee Fringe Benefits	150,201			150,201	
Purchased and Contractual Services	166,356			166,356	
Library Materials and Information	182,998		366	183,364	
Supplies	18,483			18,483	
Other	2,286			2,286	
Capital Outlay	14,849	16,932		31,781	
Total Cash Disbursements	996,553	16,932	366	1,013,851	
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	36,158	(8,478)	4,778	32,458	
Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):					
Transfers-In		150,000		150,000	
Transfers-Out	(150,000)			(150,000)	
Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)	(150,000)	150,000	0	0	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements					
and Other Financing Disbursements	(113,842)	141,522	4,778	32,458	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	319,325	175,488	99,147	593,960	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$205,483	\$317,010	\$103,925	\$626,418	
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$62,137	\$0	\$587	\$62,724	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Oberlin Public Library, Lorain County, (the Library) as a body corporate and politic. The Chairperson of Oberlin City Council appoints a six-member Board of Trustees to govern the Library. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

The Library's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Library is financially accountable.

#### B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Library recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Cash and Investments

Investments are included in fund cash balances. Accordingly, the Library does not record investment purchases as disbursements or investments sales as receipts. The Library records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The investment in STAR Ohio (the State Treasurer's investment pool) is valued at amounts reported by the State Treasurer.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds into the following types:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### 2. Capital Project Funds

These funds account for receipts restricted to acquiring or constructing major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Library had the following significant capital project fund:

Construction (Building) Fund – used for the purpose of expanding, renovating, improving, furnishing and equipping the existing Library and improving its site.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

#### 3. Permanent Funds

These funds account for assets held under a trust agreement that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, are available to support the Library's programs. The Library had the following significant permanent funds:

Gilford Memorial Book Fund – interest is used for purchase of adult and children's books.

Daub Memorial Book Fund – interest is used for the purchase of adult books.

#### E. Budgetary Process

The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control.

A summary of 2007 and 2006 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Library records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

#### G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

#### H. Total Columns

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "(Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented to facilitate financial analysis. Such date is not comparable to a consolidation.

#### 2. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

The Library maintains a cash and investments pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### 2. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments (Continued)

	2007	2006
Demand deposits	\$33,161	\$40,253
Petty cash and change cash	145	145
Total deposits	33,306	40,398
STAR Ohio	626,190	586,020
Total investments	626,190	586,020
Total deposits and investments	\$659,496	\$626,418

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Library.

**Investments:** Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities existing in physical or book entry form

#### 3. Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2007 and 2006 follows:

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts					
	Budgeted	Actual	_		
Fund type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General	\$1,133,475	\$1,136,409	\$2,934		
Capital Projects	2,000	15,737	13,737		
Permanent	1,100	5,713	4,613		
Total	\$1,136,575	\$1,157,859	\$21,284		

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### 3. Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

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	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$1,338,405	\$1,102,833	\$235,572
Capital Projects	50,000	19,974	30,026
Permanent	2,037	1,974	63
Total	\$1,390,442	\$1,124,781	\$265,661

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$1,039,861	\$1,032,711	(\$7,150)
Capital Projects	1,500	158,454	156,954
Permanent	1,050	5,144	4,094
Total	\$1,042,411	\$1,196,309	\$153,898

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$1,359,031	\$1,208,690	\$150,341
Capital Projects	50,000	16,932	33,068
Permanent	1,403	953	450
Total	\$1,410,434	\$1,226,575	\$183,859

#### 4. Grants-In-Aid and Tax Receipts

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The State allocates LLGSF to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The Lorain County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on an agreement made between the Boards of Trustees of all Lorain County Libraries with population within Lorain County. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on any additional revenues the Library receives. These revenues are reflected in the financial statements as Library and Local Government Support.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### 4. Grants-In-Aid and Tax Receipts (Continued)

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division of Tax Equalization, adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Property and Other Local Taxes. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the taxing district.

Property owners assess tangible personal property tax. These owners must file a list of tangible property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Library.

#### 5. Retirement Systems

The Library's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2007 and 2006, OPERS members contributed 9.5% and 9%, respectively, of their gross salaries and the Library contributed an amount equaling 13.85% and 13.70%, respectively, of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2007.

#### 6. Risk Management

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

#### **Health Insurance**

The Library also provides health insurance to full-time employees through a private carrier. The Library's liability is limited to the premiums it pays plus up to \$2,000.00 per employee for a higher deductible chosen by the Library in order to reduce overall premium cost.

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Oberlin Public Library Lorain County 65 South Main Street Oberlin, Ohio 44074

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Oberlin Public Library, Lorain County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated July 11, 2008 wherein we noted the Library prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We also noted the Library uses the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) to process its financial transactions. *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the Auditor of State's independence to audit the Library. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Library's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Library's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Library's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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We noted certain matters that we reported to the Library's management in a separate letter dated July 11, 2008.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Library's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management and Library Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Saylor

July 11, 2008



#### **OBERLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY**

#### **LORAIN COUNTY**

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 29, 2008