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Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County Jefferson County 407 South Fourth Street Steubenville, Ohio 43952

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.

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April 29, 2008

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County Jefferson County 407 South Fourth Street Steubenville, Ohio 43952

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County, Jefferson 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. 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.

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.

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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 the Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County, Jefferson 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 April 29, 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

April 29, 2008

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

All Fund Types

305,000

3,614

2,506,987

\$2,510,601

\$158,108

1,388

33,800

\$35,188

21,670

3,350,557

\$3,372,227

\$288,788

Totals Special Capital (Memorandum General Revenue Projects Permanent Only) Cash Receipts: Library and Local Government Support \$2,957,495 \$2,957,495 Patron Fines and Fees 68,644 68,644 Services Provided to Other Entities \$5,388 5,388 Contributions, Gifts and Donations 4,510 4,510 Earnings on Investments 186,968 \$1,388 188,356 Miscellaneous 7,943 \$25,000 32,943 **Total Cash Receipts** 3,225,560 25,000 5,388 1,388 3,257,336 Cash Disbursements: Current: Salaries 1,506,288 1,506,288 Employee Fringe Benefits 608,081 3,414 611,495 Purchased and Contractual Services Library Materials and Information 544,961 276,408 71,376 11,754 410,465 276,408 71,376 134,496 Supplies Other 11.754 Capital Outlay 41,106 172,278 213,384 **Total Cash Disbursements** 3,414 2,925,478 306,774 3,235,666 Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements 300,082 21,586 (301,386) 1,388 21,670 Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements): Transfers-In 305,000 305,000 Transfers-Out (305,000)(305,000)

(305,000)

(4,918)

777,903

\$772.985

\$130,680

21,586

31,867

\$53,453

\$0

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

Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)

Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements

Fund Cash Balances, January 1

Fund Cash Balances, December 31

Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31

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

	All Fund Types				
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Permanent	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Library and Local Government Support Patron Fines and Fees Contributions, Gifts and Donations Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	\$2,957,495 71,916 3,862 144,615 12,235	\$5,000	\$18,720	\$781	\$2,957,495 71,916 8,862 145,396 30,955
Total Cash Receipts	3,190,123	5,000	18,720	781	3,214,624
Cash Disbursements: Current: Salaries Employee Fringe Benefits Purchased and Contractual Services Library Materials and Information Supplies Other Capital Outlay	1,503,098 619,203 351,123 323,289 68,937 12,948 14,292		57,013 49,331		1,503,098 619,203 408,136 323,289 68,937 12,948 63,623
Total Cash Disbursements	2,892,890		106,344	0	2,999,234
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	297,233	5,000	(87,624)	781	215,390
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	480,670	26,867	2,594,611	33,019	3,135,167
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$777,903	\$31,867	\$2,506,987	\$33,800	\$3,350,557
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$72,556	\$0	\$39,176	\$0	\$111,732

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 Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County, Jefferson County, (the Library) as a body corporate and politic. The Library is directed by a six-member Board of Trustees appointed by the Mayor of the City of Steubenville. 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. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

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

C. Cash and Investments

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Library values certificates of deposit at cost.

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. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from private-purpose trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Library had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Williams Trust – This is a trust to be used for the library's digital shoebox project.

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (Continued)

3. 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 funds:

Building & Repair Fund - This fund is used to upgrade library facilities.

Automation Fund – This fund is used to automate library services and provide computer equipment for patron use.

4. 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 fund:

Naylor Trust Fund - Interest earned may be used to purchase books.

E. Budgetary Process

The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, and object 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.

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

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:

	2007	2006
Demand deposits	\$1,987,117	\$2,039,906
Certificates of deposit	1,385,110_	1,310,651
Total deposits	\$3,372,227	\$3,350,557

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

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	\$3,293,299	\$3,225,560	(\$67,739)		
Special Revenue	0	25,000	25,000		
Capital Projects	305,000	310,388	5,388		
Permanent	0	1,388	1,388		
Total	\$3,598,299	\$3,562,336	(\$35,963)		

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$3,965,855	\$3,361,158	\$604,697
Special Revenue	25,000	3,414	21,586
Capital Projects	3,038,316	464,882	2,573,434
Private Purpose Trust	0	0	0
Total	\$7,029,171	\$3,829,454	\$3,199,717

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$3,048,344	\$3,190,123	\$141,779
Special Revenue	0	5,000	5,000
Capital Projects	0	18,720	18,720
Permanent	0	781	781
Total	\$3,048,344	\$3,214,624	\$166,280

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY – (Continued)

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$3,334,147	\$2,965,446	\$368,701
Special Revenue	0	0	0
Capital Projects	2,506,734	145,520	2,361,214
Permanent	0	0	0
Total	\$5,840,881	\$3,110,966	\$2,729,915
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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 sintangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on of any additional revenues the Library receives.

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Retirement Rates	Year	Member	Employer
		Rate	Rate
PERS – Local	2006	9%	13.7%
PERS – Local	2007	9.5%	13.85%

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 13.7%, 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.





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

Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County Jefferson County 407 South Fourth Street Steubenville, Ohio 43952

To the Library Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County, Jefferson County, (the Library) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated April 29, 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 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.

We noted certain matters that we reported to the Library's management in a separate letter dated April 29, 2008.

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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 did note a certain noncompliance or other matter that we reported to the Library's management in a separate letter dated April 29, 2008.

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

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

April 29, 2008



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PUBLIC LIBRARY OF STEUBENVILLE AND JEFFERSON COUNTY JEFFERSON 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 1, 2008