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Mr. Jon D. Robinson Chairman, Finance Committee Library Board 500 Millikin Court Decatur, Illinois, 62523

Dear Mr. Robinson:

The City Council, in study session yesterday evening, reviewed the matter regarding the Library Board's contribution to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

My recommendation to the City Council regarding this matter is contained in the attached memorandum.

Although the City Council believes that it can legally charge to the Library Fund, the Library Board's contribution to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, the Council is not interested in provoking a legal confrontation between the governing body of the City of Decatur and the Board of Directors of one of its instrumentalities, the Library Board.

Today I have instructed the Director of Finance to reimburse the Library Fund from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, for costs charged to the Library Fund for the Library Board's retirement contributions.

The Board of Directors of the Library Board should be aware that the 1975 levy for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund does not include the employer's contribution for Library Board employees. In preparation of the Library Board's budget for the

next fiscal year, retirement contributions must be budgeted in the Library Board's budget. My recommendations to the City Council for the 1975 levies contemplated a savings of \$61,755 by the Library Board from its account 103 - Retirement Fund, which could be used in the next fiscal year to pay for the Library Board's obligations.

I am pleased the Council accepted my recommendation and that this matter should no longer be a public issue.

Very truly yours, CITY OF DECATUR

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Leslie T. Allen, City Manager.

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