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November 15, 2018

Re: Levy Increase

Dear Northern Lights Library System Member:

At the November 3, 2018 meeting the Northern Lights Library System Board approved the 2019 budget. In order to not have a deficit budget and retain the level of services to the ratepayers of your municipality, the proposed budget includes a \$0.08 per capita levy increase for municipalities and their Library Boards and a \$0.16 per capita levy increase for Board of Record municipalities.

## Currently the levies are as follows:

\$5.07 per capita

Municipality

\$5.07 per capita

Municipal Library Board

\$10.14 per capita

Municipality without Library Board

## The proposed increase would be as follows:

\$5.15 per capita

Municipality

\$5.15 per capita

Municipal Library Board

\$10.30 per capita

Municipality without Library Board

For these increases to come into effect, the NLLS agreement must be amended. The amendment formula requires "written notification from 2/3 of the Parties to the Agreement, that they have so authorized such an amendment" (Section 17.1 Northern Lights Library System Agreement).

This letter is notification of the amendment. Each member municipality is asked to respond to the following question:

## Are you in favor of the proposed levy increases as outlined above?

We would ask you, please place this item on the agenda of your next council meeting in order to respond in writing to the above note question of December 31, 2018. If the amendment is approved, the levy increase to the municipalities will come into effect as of January 1, 2019.

If you have any questions, you may contact your Northern Lights Library Board member representative. A copy of the budget is available from your Northern Lights Library Board member representative.

Regards,

Larry Tiedemann

Chairman

Northern Lights Library System Board