



# PALOS HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## STATEMENT OF ETHICS FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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As a library trustee, I shall observe ethical standards with absolute truth, integrity and honor.

I shall represent all citizens honestly and equally and refuse to surrender my responsibilities to special interest or partisan political groups.

I shall avoid any conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety which could result from my position, nor shall I use my Board membership for personal gain or publicity.

I shall recognize that a Board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at an open Board meeting.

I shall at all times respect the confidentiality of privileged information. I shall support the library's Resource Selection Policy to the fullest and the librarians' efforts to resist censorship of library materials by groups or individuals.

I shall be involved and knowledgeable about not only local library concerns, but also about state and national issues.

I shall be aware of the state laws governing libraries.

As a trustee who has accepted Library Board responsibilities, I shall endeavor to perform all the functions expected of and implicit in that position.

This statement shall be signed annually by each serving Trustee as an ongoing commitment to these values.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vice President

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

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Secretary

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This \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_