

To: House Appropriations Committee
March 18, 1981

The members of the thirty-one public and school libraries of the Upper Valley Cooperative would like to express our deep concern and opposition to the proposed 52% budget cut for the New Hampshire State Library.

The services that the N.H. State Library provides cannot be provided by local libraries and most are unavailable elsewhere, particularly for the small town libraries.

We are not objecting to a reasonable cut and recognize the need to economize, but we certainly oppose eliminating those unique library services which can best be provided by a central agency. The State Librarian should determine where cuts are made. The resulting impact might be a reduction of services, but not the destruction of a valuable resource.

Canaan Town Library
Seminary Hill School, Lebanon
Plainfield School Library
Kimball Union Library
Philip Reed Memorial Library
Meridan Public Library
Lebanon High School Library
Canaan Elementary School Library
Tracy Memorial Library, New London
Richards Free Library, Newport
Abbott Library, Sunapee
Wilmot Public Library
Hanover High School Library
Cornish Elementary School Library
George H. Stowell Free Library, Cornish
Mascoma Valley Regional High School Library
Frances C. Richmond Middle School
Bernice A. Ray Elementary School
Lebanon Public Library

Howe Library, Hanover.
Lyme Town Library
Enfield Public Library
Claremont Jr. High School Library
Silsby Free Library, Charlestown
Sacred Heart School Library, Lebanon
School St. School Library, Lebanon
Enfield Elementary School Library
Etna Public Library
Cardigan Mt. School Library
Sunapee Jr.-Sr. High School Library
Libbie A. Cass Memorial Library, West
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