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**LAKESHORES LIBRARY SYSTEM & RACINE COUNTY
LIBRARY SERVICES AGREEMENT**

I. PARTIES

This agreement is by and between Racine County, a state of Wisconsin Municipal Corporation, hereafter called county and Lakeshores Library System, a public library system organized and operated as a federated public library system within the meaning of ss. 43.19, hereafter called system.

II. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Wisconsin Statutes Section 43.15(4)(b) specifies that, a County may participate in a federated public library system if it does the following: adopts and maintains a plan of library service submitted and approved under ss. 43.11(3) and 43.13(1); provides the financial support for library services required under 43.15(2) sub.(2); enters into a written agreement with the public library system board to participate in the system and its activities and to furnish library services to residents of those municipalities in the county not maintaining a public library. The plan of service specified in 43.11(3)(c) shall specify the method and level of funding to be provided by the county to implement the services described in the plan and shall describe the services to be provided by the public library system and the allocation of funds for those services. The system, in order to qualify for state aid, shall provide for services required in ss. 43.24(2) (a) through (m) and ss. 43.24(4).

III. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The residents of the County should have convenient access to all library services provided by all libraries in the County and system. It is the County's responsibility, pursuant to ss. 43.15(4)(b), to compensate municipal libraries for use made of them by County-taxed residents who would otherwise have no access to library services. Local municipalities with libraries are responsible for funding of services to their own residents. Use by residents of one library municipality of another municipal library is considered reciprocal use in system contracts with member libraries. No compensation is paid to these libraries for such reciprocal use. Such use will not be added to the circulation attributed to County-taxed residents or for formula calculations for County appropriations. Local autonomy of the individual libraries is not to be sacrificed by the existence of this agreement. The authority for the determination of local library services rests with the boards of trustees of each municipal library in the County. (ss. 43.58 to 43.62)

IV. MUTUAL AGREEMENT

1. The County agrees to participate in the Lakeshores Library System and its activities. The System is authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the annual plans of service required by the state.
2. The system will arrange for the collection of library registration and circulation records from libraries used by County-taxed residents and report such data annually to the County. The System agrees to provide such reasonable financial and operational records of the System and its member libraries as the County deems appropriate and desirable.
3. The System will present requests for appropriations in accordance with the County's budgeting procedures. It will distribute county funds to the participating libraries on the basis of Member Library Agreements. These provide that libraries shall keep their doors open for use by County-taxed residents in return for the sums appropriated by the County and other sources.
4. The following is the method for determining proposed annual funding by the County for library services to County-taxed residents: a) The actual circulation of materials by county-taxed residents at each library will be calculated for the most recent available reporting year. b) This circulation will be stated as a percentage of each library's total circulation. c) Each library's total operating costs (from tax sources only) for the most recent available year will be calculated. d) The County portion of tax support should, as nearly as possible, match the percent of circulation in (b) above.

5. The County shall appoint a total of nine trustees to the system board for three year terms. The County may also appoint added trustees to the library boards of the participating libraries as provided in ss. 43.60(3).
6. This agreement is effective from the date of signing by both parties. Subject to funding consistent with ss. 43.15(2), it shall be presumed to be renewed on January 1st of every calendar year unless one of the parties gives written notice six months prior to the close of the system's fiscal year as required in ss. 43.18.

V. SIGNATURES

FOR RACINE COUNTY

FOR LAKESHORES LIBRARY SYSTEM

Hubert Braun
County Board Chair

Date 7/21/89

Mark Jensen
System President

Date 7/27/89

Jean Bennett
County Clerk

Date 7/20/89

Thomas Hammer
System Secretary

Date 8/1/89

Date 7-19-89

Certified to be correct as to form.

By Mark Jensen

Racine County Corporation Counsel

REVIEWED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

Wayne Johnson

Signature

7/18/89

Date

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ANNUAL FUNDING MEMORANDUM FOR 1989

Subject to the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County and Lakeshores, and such other stipulations as noted herein, the County agrees to pay the following sums for library services in 1989. Funds shall be distributed to libraries as proposed to the County Board in Lakeshores' annual budget proposal to the County.

1. Total County Funding for 1989 shall be: \$310,000

2. Additional stipulations for 1989 (if any): None.

FOR RACINE COUNTY

FOR LAKESHORES LIBRARY SYSTEM

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County Board Chair

Date 7/21/89

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System President

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System Secretary

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