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To: County Board of Supervisors

I am asking that our SB Library be funded generously for the coming year and beyond.

Our strong library system and superb personnel symbolize the high values of our community. Along with other necessary city services, like good public schools, well-maintained streets and sanitation services, police and fire infrastructures, a superior library is a requirement to maintain our high caliber way of life.

The Santa Barbara Library is more than a place to check out books. For example, it also runs a first-rate tutoring program to teach struggling children how to become more proficient readers. It also trains volunteers (like myself) in the renowned Orton-Gillingham method so we can truly help these children succeed. And, it has a literacy program for ESL adults to become better English speakers and readers.

Our library is not a quiet, sedate space! It is constantly developing programs around literacy to meet the evolving needs of our community. Moreover, there are several more innovative ideas percolating that hopefully will be able to be implemented.

Please recognize the library's importance to our residents and secure its bright future - and the future of Santa Barbara - by funding it as generously as possible.

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