

## FREEDOM TO READ

Believing that one of the hallmarks of a free society is the ability of a person within that society to have the freedom to explore the written word, we as trustees of the Guilderland Public Library pledge the following to our fellow community members.

- A. *With your support we shall provide our community with books and materials that enrich the quality and diversity of thought and expression.*
- B. *Each patron shall be free to determine what he or she wishes to read.*
- C. *Your library shall make available the widest range of views and expressions, including those which are unorthodox or unpopular with the majority.*
- D. *No book or author shall be labeled as subversive or dangerous.*
- E. *Your library shall resist any efforts to restrict access to materials in its collection.*

Our goal in stating the above principles is to reiterate our commitment to provide the public with a library community resource which honors the freedom to read and attempts to make available the knowledge and ideas which are so essential for the growth of the mind and increase of learning.

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