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TO: Rapid City Public Library Board of Trustees
FROM: Paulette M. Schenck, Pennington County Commission Liaison to the RCPLBT
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RE: Resignation Announcement

In March of 2017, I was appointed the Pennington County liaison to the Rapid City Public Library (RCPL) Board of Trustees. The first thing I did following this appointment was to visit each of the county libraries in Wall, Keystone, and Hill City. These trips confirmed my understanding of the importance and influence libraries have in their communities. While each of these libraries has a similar mission, they are achieving these undertakings in unique ways to meet the needs of their communities.

During these past two years, while on the RCPL Board of Trustees there have been many achievements including

- hiring of a new director. Under the deft leadership of Terri Davis, with her exceptional combination of understanding local and international library issues, RCPL continues to expand its services and, in doing so, positively affecting the whole Black Hills area.
- completing and implementing a strategic plan based on a yearlong extensive citywide review.
- enacting a creative compromise to meet the needs of Ellsworth dependents not living in Pennington County.

Coming to the end of my two-year commitment, I am resigning as the Pennington County Board of Commissioners liaison to the RCPL Board of Trustees as of March 1, 2019. It is my hope that the County Commission continues to have representation on the Board of Trustees. Please encourage anyone interested in the position to contact the Holli Hennies regarding the process to be considered a library county liaison. It has been an honor working with you and I wish continued success for the library.

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