

Freedom to Read

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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 written word, we as trustees of the Sharon Springs Free Library pledge the following to our fellow community members.

- 1. We shall provide our community with books and materials that enrich the quality and diversity of thought and expression.
- 2. Each patron shall be free to determine what he/she wishes to read. However, it is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to monitor the materials that their children take from or use in the library.
- 3. Your library shall make available the widest range of views and expressions.
- 4. No book or author shall be labeled as subversive or dangerous.
- 5. 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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