



Statement of Concern about Library Resources

Ames Public Library strives to further the Library's mission, "Ames Public Library: We connect you to the world of ideas." The Library's role is to provide opportunities that will allow individuals to freely examine subjects and make their own decisions. The Library does not endorse particular ideas, beliefs, or views. While customers are free to reject for themselves what that they do not approve of, they cannot exercise this right of censorship to restrict the freedom of access to others.

The Ames Public Library Director and the Board of Trustees are aware that customers may take issue with the inclusion of specific items, programs, or practices, and they welcome the expression of concern by customers. If your discussion with members of staff has not alleviated your concern, please complete this form and return it to: Ames Public Library, Attn: Library Director, 515 Douglas Ave., Ames, Iowa 50010. You may use the other side of this form or attach additional pages as necessary.

Today's Date _____

Name of Individual or Group _____

Contact person _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

1. Resource you are concerned with:

Book or Magazine Video/DVD Audio recording/CD Electronic information

Title, author, artist _____

Library program Display/exhibit Meeting Room Other _____

Title, date, time, location _____

2. Have you examined the entire resource (or did you attend the event)? Yes No

3. How did you find out about the resource(s)?

4. What are your concerns about the resource(s)? What action do you seek as a result of this complaint?

5. Are there resource(s) you suggest that provide additional information and/or other viewpoints on this topic? Yes No **If yes, we welcome and encourage your recommendations.**

Additional comments or recommendations:

Library use only:

Concern expressed to APL staff member: _____ Date: _____
Notes/comments/actions

Concern discussed with manager: _____ Date: _____
Notes/comments/actions

Concern discussed with Director: _____ Date: _____
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