

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

THE FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA 1901 Vine Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-1189

April 11, 2019

The Honorable Darrell Clarke City Council President City Hall, Room 490 Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Council President Clarke:

This letter is in response to questions raised at the March 26, 2019 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2020 proposed Capital Budget. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Councilwoman Gym: Please provide a facility conditions assessment of the library system.

The Free Library's Building Conditions Assessment is attached. Rebuild funds will target buildings with lower condition assessment scores and an additional \$7.5 million in City tax-supported funding (CN) is recommended in the FY 20-25 Capital Program to address critical improvements throughout the system. In addition, the Free Library has been successful in securing outside funding grants to address infrastructure needs and to leverage City sources.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you.

Sincérely,

Siobhan A. Reardon

President & Director