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June 18, 2024

Robert Schwartz
(unknown address)

Dear Mr. Schwartz,

On June 17, 2024 at approximately 7:45pm, you were witnessed by a library patron involved in a loud argument with a woman in a car located at the library parking lot. The witness called police after they saw you whipping the woman with a sweatshirt and then punching her through the open car window. The witness provided a detailed description of you and what occurred to police and they detained you. Police told you not to return for the evening and a decision would be made on the status of your privileges at the West Allis Public Library. You returned at 8:15pm - shirtless - ignoring both library and police directives and told again to leave the library.

Such violent acts are unacceptable, violate the Library Code of Conduct, and will not be tolerated. This most recent violation of the Library Code of Conduct involving your behavior while visiting the library, adds to a lengthy list that includes the following:

1/3/2024 – Blocking the automated book return while drinking from a bottle of whiskey

1/4/2024 – You were involved in a scuffle with another individual witnessed by the City Social Worker

1/30/2024 – Staff discovered you drinking from a bottle of vodka inside the library

2/7/2024 – Library staff discovered you sleeping on the floor. You were asked to get up, but were witnessed repeating the behavior two additional times throughout the day, and were finally asked to leave the building.

2/19/2024 – Patrons complained about you drinking and swearing outside the library. A librarian noticed you smelled strongly of alcohol and asked you to leave for the day.

2/27/2024 – You were intoxicated while inside the library and asked to leave. You did not immediately comply until a supervisor spoke with you.

3/6/2024 – Library staff saw you snorting a substance and you were clearly under the influence. You were asked to leave and police were informed.

3/17/2024 – You were clearly under the influence and library staff heard you say, "I am so high." You were slurring your words and swore at staff. You were asked to leave the building.

4/6/2024 – A library supervisor noted you had a mostly empty bottle of vodka on a library study desk and you were intoxicated. The librarian asked you to leave.

4/23/2024 – Library staff warned you repeatedly to stop yelling and playing music inside the library, however your inappropriate behavior continued. You were asked to leave for the day but you returned three additional times. Finally, staff told you that police would be called if you returned again.

5/4/2024 – You and a female patron were yelling obscenities at one another and both of you were asked to leave for the day.

6/3/2024 – You brought a bicycle inside the library and got into an argument with another patron. Both of you were swearing loudly at each other and both asked to leave.



The above incidents clearly indicate a chronic pattern where you blatantly disregard the rules of conduct expected from every person using the library.

As a result of your serious violation of the West Allis Public Library Code of Conduct, your library privileges cease, and **you are immediately banned from the West Allis Public Library**. Effective immediately, **you may not be present in the building or on any part of the library grounds including the parking lot or building entrances**.

At its June 26, 2024, meeting, the West Allis Public Library Board of Trustees will vote to affirm this ban.

If you ignore or violate this order, police will be called, and you will be charged appropriately.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Koszalka".

Michael Koszalka, Library Director

cc: West Allis Public Library Board of Trustees
West Allis Police Department