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Your Name  
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City, State, Zip

(To the State Senate)  
The Honorable (Full Name)  
State House, (Room Number)  
Kansas Senate  
Topeka, KS 66612

(To the State House of Representatives)  
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Dear Senator/Representative (Last Name):

As someone who lives and votes in District XXX, I strongly urge you to support Kansas libraries by taking action to maintain current levels of state funding for libraries, maintain Kansas Universal Service Fund support for Kan-Ed, and to preserve the authority of local library boards.

(Paragraph 2: Describe the "action step" in detail, how it affects you, your local library, and your community. Look over the talking points and brainstorm specific examples that pertain to your library.

- Have you seen an increase in computer users?
- Is circulation up?
- Are more children attending story time and other programs?
- Are job seekers using the library to help find employment or apply of unemployment benefits?
- Are you using the courier service? Are your ILL stats up?
- Do you have Talking Book patrons?

Local examples concerning the impact of this legislative action are very powerful. Be sure to preserve patron privacy by not mentioning specific patrons by name.)

In closing, I again encourage you to support libraries by maintaining current levels of state funding, maintain Kansas Universal Service Fund support for Kan-Ed, and vote to preserve the authority of local library boards. I thank you for your consideration on these matters. Libraries are a good value at any time and part of the community safety net in

tight economic times. Your continued support of libraries will help Kansans help themselves.

Sincerely,

(Your signature)

(Your printed name)