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To the City Councilors:

I'm an avid reader and I also use reference at least once (if not twice a week) so I'm supportive of the library.

However, I also frequent the park and feel a connection with each tree and all the life forms who live there, too numerous to mention.

I feel there are 3 valid reasons for the library expansion and grant 1) making the library accessible for the physically challenged 2) creating more room for collections and 3) creating more room in reference for people needing a place to study that's near where they're doing research.

The proposed Cafeteria is redundant as there are a number of places within walking distance to cater to individuals who are looking for food, the auditorium is redundant as the Rindge + Latin High School has a great deal of space available for use by patrons of library programs and the parking garage is undesirable as it will encourage pollution and discourage healthy activity (e. walking, biking etc.) Finally, let them

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2,
Computers stay in the schools and also spread around
resources amongst the branches, so that one community
doesn't end up with all the resources while other communities
have threadbare programs.

In passing, I'd like to mention that I
wasn't pleased to learn that this plan had been in
the works for 2 years before I found out about it.

There's no reason why the scaled down
expansion version I mentioned above need encroach on the
park.

Sincerely,

Jane Rich
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Communication was received from
Jane Rich, 71 Dana Street,
transmitting her support for the
library expansion.

In City Council May 6, 1996

*Referred to Library
Committee.*