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To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to confirm that the Villa Park Rotary Club has been working closely with Villa Park Elementary Home and School League for many years assisting in providing valuable resources for our students. We are the 501c3 organization that supports the elementary school with fundraising, volunteering, and investing funds back into the school. The Villa Park Rotary Club has been a reliable friend to the home and school league within the community for years. Due to numerous budget shortfalls within the state and school district, Villa Park Elementary has continued educating their student population with outdated and decaying facilities. Our school library is an area of great need of refurbishment.

VPE is an elementary school with a population of over 600 students serving residents from Villa Park, Orange, and Anaheim communities. Our library provides reading access to students ranging in age from 5 years to 12 years of age. Yet it does so much more than just that. It provides on campus library services to students, so they don't have to go to county or city libraries. Our on site after school day care program uses the library daily for students in the homework club and provides them access to computers to complete school projects after hours. The library is open before school, during morning and lunch recess, and after school. It is also a welcoming place to visit for the individual who desires quiet time away from the playground at recess or after school.

The Villa Park Home and School League provides all the funds to maintain the library and to meet the changing needs of students and academics in the 21st century. This includes but is not limited to the purchase of technology items, expanding our book collection, providing vital supplies, as well as supporting our Reading Counts rewards. We are lucky to have dedicated volunteers who fundraise and work hard to provide our school with resources to enrich the academic experience for every child. We are especially grateful to the Villa Park Rotary for their continued support over the years to advance this goal.

Sincerely,

Susannah Shortall

Home & School League President