



**Conflict of Interest Statement for
Groton Public Library Board of Trustees**

No board member or board committee member, or any member of his/her family should accept any gift, entertainment, service, loan, or promise of future benefits from any person who either personally or whose employees might benefit or appear to benefit from such board or committee member's connection with the Groton Public Library, unless the facts of such benefit, gift, service, or loan are disclosed in good faith and are authorized by the Board. Trustees are expected to work out for themselves the most gracious method of declining gifts, entertainment, and benefits that do not meet this standard.

No Trustee should perform, for any personal gain, services for the Groton Public Library nor supplier of goods or services, as employee, consultant, or in any other capacity which promises compensation of any kind, unless the fact of such transaction or contracts are disclosed in good faith, and the Board authorizes such a transaction. Similar association by a family member of the Board or by any other close relative may be inappropriate.

No Trustee or any member of his/her family should have any beneficial interest in, or substantial obligation to the Groton Public Library, unless it has been determined by the Board, on the basis of full disclosure of facts, that such interest does not give rise to a conflict of interest.

This policy statement is not intended to apply to gifts and/or similar entertainment of nominal value that clearly are in keeping with good business ethics and do not obligate the recipient.

Any matter of question or interpretation that arises relating to this policy should be referred to the president for decision and/or for referral to the Board of Trustees for decision, where appropriate.

I have received, read and understand fully the Groton Public Library's Conflict of Interest Statement and will comply with the statement by bringing any potential conflict of interest situations to the board for consideration.

Date

Signature

Reviewed and approved: 1/11/24