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Mr. Paul Clark, Systems Librarian
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Re: Letter of Support for Public Library Innovation Grant

Dear Mr. Clark:

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners is pleased to be partnering with the Wilderness Coast Public Libraries (WILD) in the application and implementation of a Public Library Innovation Grant. It is our understanding that WILD will submit to the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), by the January 9, 2009 deadline, a grant application requesting a total of \$60,000 to be shared by the Franklin, Jefferson and Wakulla County Libraries.

We applaud and support your efforts to pursue grant funding in order to further the services rendered by these public libraries to the citizens of these counties. This funding will help WILD enhance current training equipment to make possible remote participation in training conducted at individual libraries. This enhancement will increase community participation at the libraries and will initiate programs designed to train city and county employees.

We are proud to be a part of this important initiative. We understand that our role as a partner in this project will be to participate in grant meetings and in the leadership/professional development series. Our specific commitment will include participation in planning and promoting remote participation by city and county employees.

The Public Library Innovation Grant provides a valuable means to achieve our goal of a working partnership between our public libraries and local government. We hope that ICMA will look favorably upon WILD's application for funding. Please call me at (850) 653-9783 if I can answer any questions or assist in any way with your efforts.

Sincerely,

Alan C. Pierce, Director
Of Administrative Services

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