For Immediate Release

Mount Vernon, NY, May 3, 2017 - Mount Vernon voters have passed The Mount Vernon Library’s budget of $4,616,144.00 for the 2017-2018 Budget Year.

The Mount Vernon Library, the Central Library for Westchester County, has been serving the reading public of Mount Vernon and Westchester for more than 100 years. A treasured cultural institution, the Library’s Board of Directors is grateful for the support of this city’s residents allowing the library to continue its mission of serving its patrons with new and improved programming and resources.

Oscar Davis Jr., President of the Board of Trustee, commented: "I am so pleased with this year’s voting process. It is the first time ever that the library has been able to present our voting results in such a timely fashion. We appreciate the support of our citizens and their confidence and trust in the Library Board, Director and staff of this great institution."

In addition to the budget vote, one seat on the Board of Trustees was vacant. A slate of three candidates was presented to the voters. Ms. Tanya Sutherland, a long time city resident, was voted into office.

"I am very excited to be the Trustee Elect," said Ms. Sutherland. "I salute my competitors, whom it was a pleasure to meet. The mere fact that there were three of us seeking the trustee position is a testament to the fact that the library is doing good work, something we should all be thankful for. I am grateful to those who voted for me and supporters of the Mount Vernon Public Library generally. Our library is an invaluable community institution, and I am delighted, indeed honored, to serve on its Board."

Ms. Sutherland will be sworn in as a Library Trustee at the Board of Trustees annual reorganizational meeting on July, 19, 2017.

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