1. Full Name:

Karol Sucec

2. Town where you live:

I live in the Village of Lake Zurich

3.I have been a resident of the Ela Area Public Library District since:

August 2020

4. Do you have a library card? What do you like to use it for:

Yes, each member of my household has a library card.

We use our library card to borrow Audiobooks, learn languages through the Mango app, take out books, and use the summer passes to museums and other places. We have also used the services offered to renew our passports and notary public services.

5. Why are you interested in becoming a library trustee:*

The public library is a community resource, serving not only as a place to check out books but also as a central hub for all ages. As a young student, I always enjoyed spending afternoons at my local library, flipping through different books and magazines, and playing games on the computers. Now, as a mother, those afternoons at the library have become even more important with our daughter. Our library offers a variety of services to the community, and I want to help the Ela Area Public Library continue to be a strong and prominent resource for our community.

6. Briefly describe any qualifications (work experience, education, leadership roles, attributes, skills/training) that you feel would provide positive input to the work of the library board.*

As a Navy Veteran, mother and nurse in the Lake Zurich school district I have a deep understanding of service and commitment to my community. I want to strengthen those ties by dedicating my time and energy to supporting the library and its vision which contributes to the well-being of our community.

8. What do you see as the library's role in the community now and in the future?*

The library has always been a fundamental part of our community, serving us in countless ways. It continues to grow and expand its services for our patrons, which range from employment preparation to gardening, as well as offering passport application and renewal, along with notary public services. Our library unites the community through various offerings, and its role will continue to evolve and expand to meet the needs of those it serves.