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The Board of Trustees  
Southern Adirondack Library System  
22 Whitney Place  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide for Southern Adirondack Library System for the year ending December 31, 2025.

### **Audit Scope and Objective**

We will audit the financial statements of Southern Adirondack Library System (the Organization), which comprise the statements of cash receipts and disbursements of the General Fund and Trust and Agency Fund for the year ending December 31, 2025, and the disclosures (collectively, the "financial statements"). These statements will exclude the cash receipts and disbursements of the Joint Automation Governance Board of the Southern Adirondack Library System/Mohawk Valley Library Association's cash account(s).

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the cash basis of accounting. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted accordance with GAAS (generally accepted auditing standards) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment of a reasonable user made based on the financial statements.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with GAAS and will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion. As part of an audit in accordance with GAAS, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We will evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used by management. We will also evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and determine whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation. We will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the Organization or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the Organization.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, combined with the inherent limitations of internal control, and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected by us, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that comes to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

We will obtain an understanding of the Organization and its environment, including internal control relevant to the audit, sufficient to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and to design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks and obtain evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentation, or the override of internal control. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies in internal control. Accordingly, we will express no such opinion. However, during the audit, we will communicate to you and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under professional standards.

We have identified the following significant risk of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- 1) Management override of controls
- 2) Cash receipts and disbursements are not recorded or not recorded in the proper period

We will also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts, and direct confirmation of revenue and cash by correspondence with selected funding sources, and financial institutions. If applicable, we will also request written representations from the Organization's attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry.

### **Other Services**

We will prepare the financial statements of Southern Adirondack Library System in conformity with the cash basis of accounting based on information provided by you.

We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards. The other services are limited to the financial statement services previously defined. We, in our sole professional judgment, reserve the right to refuse to perform any procedure or take any action that could be construed as assuming management responsibilities.

## **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you acknowledge and understand your responsibility for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; and for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with the cash basis of accounting. You are responsible for including all informative disclosures that are appropriate for the cash basis of accounting. Those disclosures will include (1) a description of the cash basis of accounting, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and how the cash basis of accounting differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP); (2) informative disclosures similar to those required by GAAP; and (3) additional disclosures beyond those specifically required that may be necessary for the financial statements to achieve fair presentation. You are also responsible for making all financial records, and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers). You are also responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters; (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the Organization from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require certain written representations from you about the financial statements and related matters.

Your responsibilities include adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the Organization involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Organization received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the Organization complies with applicable laws and regulations. You are required to disclose the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated and whether that date is the date the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued. You agree that you will not date the subsequent event disclosure earlier than the date of your management representation letter.

In our relationship we may advise but not advocate for a business decision. You agree to assume all management responsibilities for the financial statement preparation services and any other non-attest services we provide; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably from senior management, with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for them. It is your responsibility to maintain original data and records as well as the information produced by information systems. We cannot accept and have no responsibility to maintain any of your data, records, or information.

UHY will perform nonattest services in accordance with applicable professional standards. UHY, in its sole professional judgment, reserves the right to refuse to perform any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities, including determining account coding and approving journal entries. The Organization must make all decisions with regard to nonattest services.

With regard to publishing the financial statements on your website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in these sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

### **Engagement Administration, Fees, and Other**

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash and other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing. They will also provide us with the detail trial balances and any supporting schedules we deem necessary. We also anticipate the books and records of the entity will be complete and in auditable condition. Any accounting services which may be required to assist your personnel in adjusting or reconciling accounts would be billable at our standard hourly rates as additional nonattest services. The aforementioned excludes services and fees to meet federal audit requirements because the expected federal revenue is below the threshold for such requirements. If such services are deemed necessary at a later date, we will do an additional letter of engagement for your consideration.

Eric Hennessey, C.P.A. is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

We expect to begin our audit approximately the end of January 2026 and issue our report no later than March 15, 2026.

We estimate that our fees for these services will be \$11,250. We will charge an administration fee of 3.5% of billings to cover out-of-pocket costs and expenses related to postage, mailing, report production and other expenses. The fee estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the audit. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with you and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs. Our invoices for these fees may be rendered every month as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if your account becomes overdue and will not be resumed until your account is paid in full. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, you will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket expenditures through the date of termination.

Except as set forth in the following paragraph, our engagement ends upon delivery of the report. Any follow-up services that might be required will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of the new engagement will be governed by a new, specific engagement letter for that service.

From time to time both during and after the conclusion of our engagement, we may be required to respond to subpoenas or other requests for documents, testimony or court appearances, or to otherwise take actions under compulsion of law or legal process, relating to you and/or the work we have undertaken for you as identified and described herein. In any such instance, you will be and remain

responsible to compensate us for our time expended, and to reimburse us for our costs and disbursements (including attorney's fees) incurred, in complying with any such legal requirements, all in the manner described in the preceding paragraph.

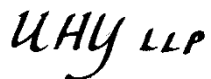
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This engagement letter and all services rendered hereunder shall be governed, construed, and enforced by the laws of the State of New York, without the need to resort to principles of conflicts of laws. New York law shall apply to any legal or equitable proceeding that shall be instituted in any way arising out of this engagement letter, any obligations contained or allegedly contained herein, and all services rendered touching or relating in any way to the obligations of this engagement letter. All parties to this engagement consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located in New York and, more particularly, the state court located in Albany County, New York and the federal court located in the Northern District of New York.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

Very truly yours

The signature is written in a cursive, handwritten style. The letters "UHY" are large and prominent, with the "LLP" following in a smaller, more compact script.

**RESPONSE:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Southern Adirondack Library System.

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Carol Kuhr, President

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Date

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Robert W. Jeffords, Treasurer

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Date