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Ulster County Board of Elections
June 26, 2026

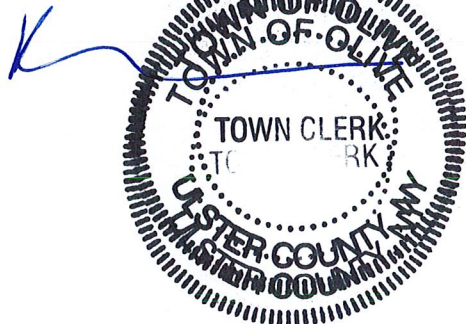
Dear Board of Election Commissioners:

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Olive, Ulster County, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the attached petition, presented by the Olive Free Library, against the Olive voter registration rolls and have determined that the petition meets the qualifications required to place the proposition contained therein on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

The petition consists of 7 pages. A minimum of 25 valid signatures was required to qualify. I have verified a total of 54 signatures as active registered voters in the Town of Olive.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Olive, Ulster County, New York, this 26th day of June, 2026.

Kim Daley, Town Clerk & Tax Collector, Town of Olive



June 22, 2026

Kim Daley
Town Clerk / Tax Collector
Town of Olive
PO Box 96
West Shokan, NY 12494

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Dear Ms. Daley,

Please find in this folder our signature collection efforts for the Chapter 414 petition in order to get the following Library Budget Proposition on the November 2026 local election ballot:

"Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Olive for the operating budget of the Olive Free Library Association be increased from \$289,642 annually to \$297,752 annually?"

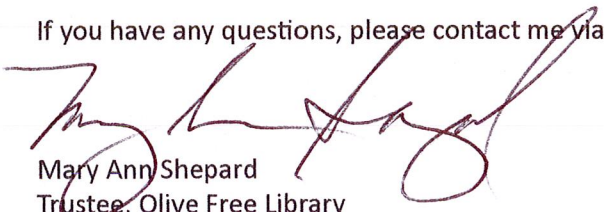
We have gathered 57 signatures (7 pages). The State of New York only requires 25 valid signatures.

Please also find enclosed the Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Olive Free Library Association, endorsing this proposition and directing the above question be placed on the November 2026 ballot and be voted on at the next general election of the Town of Olive.

The deadline for getting all signatures and Library Board resolution to the Ulster County Board of Elections is **August 3, 2026.**

Thank you in advance for verifying the signatures and sending this package to the Ulster County Board of Elections.

If you have any questions, please contact me via phone or email.



Mary Ann Shepard
Trustee, Olive Free Library
Tel: 845.706.0101
Email: mashepard12@gmail.com

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OLIVE FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the OLIVE FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION was held at 6:30 p.m. on the 15th day of April 2026.

The following Trustees were present, constituting a quorum of the Board: Nathalie Andrews, Peggy Berk, Rochelle Katz, Maria Moratis, Mary Ann Shepard, and Susan York.

The following motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried: WHEREAS, there has been presented to the Board of Trustees of the Olive Free Library Association, a petition signed by qualified voters of the Town of Olive in a number exceeding 25, asking that the following question be placed upon the ballot and voted on at the next general election of the Town of Olive:

SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF OLIVE FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE OLIVE FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BE INCREASED FROM \$289,642 ANNUALLY TO \$297,752 ANNUALLY?

and

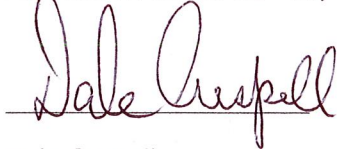
WHEREAS, the endorsement of this Board of Trustees of the Olive Free Library Association is required before such question may be placed upon the ballot

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Trustees hereby endorses the petition presented to it and directs that the following question be voted on at the next general election of the Town of Olive:

SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE TOWN OF OLIVE FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE OLIVE FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BE INCREASED FROM \$289,642 ANNUALLY TO \$297,752 ANNUALLY?

Thereupon the resolution was passed by a vote of six (6) in favor, none (0) opposed.

The undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Olive Free Library Association, hereby certifies that the above is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Board of Trustees of the Olive Free Library Association on the 15th day of April 2026.



Dale Crispell

Secretary

Olive Free Library Association

PETITION TO INCREASE TOWN FUNDING TO THE OLIVE FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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Date: 3/18 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Susan J. York
Address: 45 Indian Trail Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/22 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: JONATHAN L. BENNY
Address: 3633 ST RTE 28A Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/22 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: SCOTT HUBER
Address: 3635 RTE 28A Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/2 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: DONALD D. MARTINI
Address: 3637 STATE ROUTE 28A W. STOKAN Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/24 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: CHRISTINE FAUCHER-VELLEY
Address: 3573 State Route 28A W. Stokan NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/24 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: ANDREW KELLEY
Address: 3573 ST. RT. 28A WEST STOKAN NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/24 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: HEDDA SZMUK
Address: 38 KEEPER RD OLIVE RIDGE NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) FARA WARNER, state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 7 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5/21/26 Signature of Witness: [Signature]

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Date: 3/18/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: David Andrews
Address: 11 High Point Mountain Road, West Shokan, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3-18-26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Dale Crispell
Address: 333 County Road 2A Olivebridge NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/19/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: ELAINE RALSTON
Address: 372 BROWN RD Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/19/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Dafne Normann
Address: 7 High Point Mountain Rd, West Shokan, NY 12494 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/22/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Kim Daley
Address: 223 Moon Hlaw Road Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/16/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Janet Steen
Address: 194 Watson Hollow Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/16/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Mark Donato
Address: 194 Watson Hollow Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/23/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: BARBARA ANN CLARE
Address: 21 De Silva Road Boiceville NY 12412 PO Box 74 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/23/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Daniel Bily
Address: 32 Bell Lane West Shokan NY 12494 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/23/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Janette Kahil
Address: 526 Watson Hollow Rd West Shokan NY 12494 Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) Nathalie Andrews state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 10 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 4/23/2026 Signature of Witness: [Signature]

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Date: 3/18 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Melissa McHugh
Address: 40 Old Farm Rd Shokan, N.Y. Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 3/18/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Karen Stein
Address: 4379 NY 28A West Shokan, NY 12494 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/19/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Linda S. Edmondson
Address: 75 Mt. N. Rd. Shokan, NY 12481 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/19/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Richard Udell
Address: 5 Ravenwood Olive Bridge, NY 12461 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Alexander Eislerloh
Address: 2061 Rt 28A Boiceville Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: MAXINE DAVIDOWITZ
Address: 32 McMillan Rd. West Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Susan Shafian Perrin
Address: 146 Haver Rd Olive Bridge NY 12461 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: JAN SOSNOWITZ
Address: 117 PINEY POINT RD BOICEVILLE Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16 Signature: [Signature] Print Name:
Address: Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5/16 Signature: [Signature] Print Name:
Address: Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) Maria Moratis, state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 8 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5/20/26 Signature of Witness: M Moratis

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Date: 3/18/26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Nathalie Andrews
Address: 11 High Point Mountain Rd, West Shokan, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-10-26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Linda L. Werner
Address: 50 Weber Ln., Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-11-26 Signature: Thomas Parker Print Name: THOMAS PARKER
Address: 50 Weber Ln., Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-12-26 Signature: Emily M. Jenkins Print Name: Emily Jenkins
Address: 46 Weber Ln., Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-16-26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Edmund Earle
Address: 60 Weber Ln., Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-16-26 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Elizabeth Earle
Address: 60 Weber Ln., Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 5-17-26 Signature: Bruni Hansen Print Name: Bruni HANSEN
Address: 325 Sheldon Hill Rd, Olivebridge, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) Jack Crispell, state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 7 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5.17.24 Signature of Witness: Jack Crispell

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Date: 4/28/26 Signature: Andrew L. Baggass Print Name: Andrew L. Baggass
Address: 28 Ralis Rd Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/28/26 Signature: Esther Normann-Rios Print Name: Esther Normann-Rios
Address: 753 Bostock Rd Boiceville ny 12412 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/28 Signature: Victoria A. Chesler Print Name: Victoria A. Chesler
Address: 144 Crispell Rd. Olivebridge Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/28 Signature: Susan Jacobson Print Name: Susan Jacobson
Address: 90 Raintree Rd Shokan NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/28 Signature: Margaret Cogswell-Koeb Print Name: MARGARET COGSWELL-KOEB
Address: 5 TABOR Lane, West Shokan, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/28/26 Signature: Edwin McDonalds Print Name: Edwin McDonalds
Address: 82 Grassy Ridge Rd., Olivebridge Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/29/26 Signature: William A. Melvin Print Name: William A. Melvin
Address: 4063 Route 28A, West Shokan NY 12494 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/29 Signature: Harold Castellano Print Name: Harold Castellano
Address: 11 DEERHAVEN PARK Rd Boiceville 12412 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/29 Signature: Felice Castellano Print Name: Felice Castellano
Address: 11 Deerhaven Park Rd Boiceville 12412 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Address: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) MARY ANN STEPHEN state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 9 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5/20/2026 Signature of Witness: [Signature]

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Date: 3/18 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: FARA WARNER
Address: 3633 State Route 28A, West Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/10 Signature: S. Strauss Print Name: SIMON STRAUSS
Address: 45 Indian Trail, Shokan NY 12481 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/15 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Donald Tubby
Address: 3663 Rt 28 Apt 4, Shokan, NY 12481 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/15 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Jonathan Coghill
Address: 16 Vision Path W. Shokan 12484 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Yusef Austin
Address: 1283 County Rd 2 Olivebridge NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Zachary Catinda
Address: 506 Watson Hollow rd. West Shokan NY 12484 Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17/24 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Lahaneya Edinger
Address: 400 High Point Mountain Rd West Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Jurie Rhinehart
Address: 4238 RT 28, Ballietville, NY Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: George Tsontakis
Address: 460 Black Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

Date: 4/17 Signature: [Signature] Print Name: Astrid Nordnes
Address: 16 Vision path W. Shokan Town: Olive County: Ulster

I, (Print Name) Susan J. Yorl, state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 10 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5/20/24 Signature of Witness: [Signature]

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Date: 3/18/26 Signature: Joy Levy Print Name: JOY LEVY Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 11 Traver Hollow Rd

Date: 3/20/26 Signature: Gilbert Hsiao Print Name: Gilbert Hsiao Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 20 Beaver Lake Rd

Date: 3/20/26 Signature: Teri Lee Steele Print Name: Teri Lee Steele Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 35 G Fischer Rd

Date: 3/22 Signature: Sharon Sofranko Print Name: Sharon Sofranko Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 3479 Rte 28A

Date: 04/17 Signature: Robert Foley Print Name: Robert Foley Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 125 BROWN RD

Date: 4/20/26 Signature: James Sofranko Print Name: James Sofranko Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: 3479 RT 28A

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Town: Olive County: Ulster
Address: _____

I, (Print Name) Peggy Berk, state that I am a duly qualified voter of the State of New York. Each of the persons that have signed this petition sheet containing 6 signatures have signed their names in my presence on the dates indicated above and identified themselves to be the same person who signed the sheet. I understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if it contains a materially false statement, shall subject me to the penalties of perjury.

Date: 5/20/26 Signature of Witness: Peggy Berk Page 1