



## WRIGHT MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

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### Request for Reconsideration of Library Material

We are sorry if you have been offended by any material in the library's collection. Wright Memorial Public Library subscribes to the Library Bill of Rights as adopted by the American Library Association. This document reads, in part: "Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation." Everyone's tastes are different and it is the library's responsibility to provide materials on a multitude of subjects and viewpoints, in many styles.

If you think that an item does not belong in the library, we invite you to fill out this form and return it to the front desk. The staff will see that it is given to the library director, who will be in touch with you regarding your re

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Representing:

Self

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Material on which you wish to comment:

Title: Hunting

Author, artist, or producer: The Great Outdoors

What brought this work to your attention?

*area promoting killing animals - a boy and a man*

What are your concerns about this work and/or what are your specific objections to it?  
(Use back or additional pages if you wish.)

*holding their rifles w/ dead birds;*

What would you like the library to do with this work?

Re-evaluate it.

Withdraw it from the collection.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*Killing animals as "sport"*

Is there a work representing your viewpoint that you would like to recommend for the library?

*Maybe books on why we don't have to kill animals for food anymore.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

March 28, 2013

Dear :

I received your request for reconsideration of the book *Hunting* (The Great Outdoors series) by Robert Kennedy Shea. I am sorry that you were offended by this book.

I have read the book and researched its background. It was purchased as part of a series of nonfiction children's books that cover outdoor sports that middle grade youth might do with adults, such as camping, fishing, and kayaking. The book puts heavy emphasis on safety and following laws that apply to hunting. It acknowledges that not everyone is in favor of hunting and that people have strong opinions on the topic.

Other public libraries in the area also carry this title and/or other books for children on this topic. Wright Library is not out of line with what other local libraries have available for their patrons. We will be keeping the book in our collection.

We try to have a balanced collection. We will be ordering a new children's title: *Protecting Animals* by Darlene K. Stille to be sure we have a range of viewpoints represented.

Sincerely,

Ann Snively  
Director