



STATE OF TEXAS  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
AUSTIN

PRESTON SMITH  
GOVERNOR

April 28, 1971

Young People of  
Troy Public Library  
5044 Rochester Road  
Troy, Michigan 48084

Dear Young Readers:

It has been brought to my attention that the City of Troy will soon be opening its first facility built to serve as a public library.

An adequate library is one of the foundation stones of human freedom and human dignity. The library offers the place for the opportunity to learn and to know, the opportunity without which the citizen cannot be free.

Libraries offer all citizens the opportunity of the freedom to read, to understand all sides of issues; libraries offer the opportunity to fulfill the potential that exists in every man.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Preston Smith".

Preston Smith  
Governor of Texas

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