

# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Todd Fabian, Library Director

**DATE:** March 21, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Concord Public Library: Fines Amnesty Program

### Recommendation

Adopt a fines amnesty program for the time period of April 23 to April 29, 2023 (which is also National Library Week), during which library patrons with overdue fines will be given the opportunity to donate canned goods to eliminate certain fines.

#### **Background**

Each year, the Library holds a fines amnesty program during which library patrons with overdue fines are given the opportunity to donate non-perishable food items in exchange for amnesty of a specific amount in fines. This year, we'd like to run this same amnesty program during National Library Week. For every \$5.00 owed, the patron may bring in one canned food donation item to remove the fine from their account.

#### **Discussion**

When we are done collecting the canned goods, someone will deliver the items to the Concord Human Services Food Pantry.