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*CPL Board of Trustees Statement Regarding the 3/31/22 Damage to Library Façade*

Conway, NH – March 31, 2022 – In the overnight hours of March 31, the Conway Public Library sustained considerable damage to its façade, resulting in the collapse of two of its brownstone columns. The damage was caused by a vehicle collision where a truck left the road and impacted the front of the building.

Engineering experts have been immediately consulted and determined that the building, while structurally sound, does require support to ensure no further damage is sustained to the building. A full assessment of the damage and resultant plan for repairs are underway with a goal to restore the historic building to its original condition.

The library is open for regular hours and operations have not been impacted.

Any questions regarding the vehicle accident or the condition of the driver or passengers should be referred to the Conway Police.

Library Director David Smolen and Trustees would like to thank Conway Police, Conway Fire, Town Building Inspector Dave Pandora, and Head of Public Works Andrew Smith for their assistance in the aftermath of the accident. They would also like to extend their concern and sympathy for those who may have been injured in the collision.