## CHARTER OF THE ELTING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

April 1, 1909, Provisional Charter granted to the New Paltz Free Library by the Board of Regents December 2, 1915, Absolute Charter granted by the The Board of Regents, New York State Education Department, to the New Paltz Free Library as an association library serving the Village of New Paltz. June 25, 1920, Charter amended by the Board of Regents to change the name from the New Paltz Free Library to the Elting Memorial Library of New Paltz, New York. December, 1978 Charter amended by the Board of Regents to increase the number of Trustees from nine (9) to twelve (12) and to enlarge the service area to the boundaries of the Town of New Paltz.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Elting Memorial Library's mission is to promote literacy, build community, and inspire lifelong learning. The Library's extensive collections, unique historical holdings, cultural programs, services and events, provided in a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere, shall be an accessible resource for all.