



Statement of Concern about Library Resources

Intellectual freedom in a public library necessitates selecting some materials that may be considered controversial by some individuals or groups. Reasons often cited for materials considered offensive include use of profanity, divergent viewpoints, controversial authors, sexual content, and depictions of violence and criminal acts. The acquisition of such materials does not imply approval or endorsement of their contents. The selection criteria used by the St. Tammany Parish Library must remain broad and flexible in order to provide a collection that supports the broad range of interests and diverse backgrounds of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish.

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1. Resource on which you are commenting:

- x Book Newspaper Other
Magazine Content of Library Program
Audiovisual Electronic Resource

2. Title Born on the Bayou

Author/Producer Blaine Lourde

3. What brought this title to your attention?

Content violates the state obscenity stateues
2021 La. Laws Revised Statutes
Title 14 Criminal La
NOT SUITABLE FOR MINOR

4. Did you review the entire item? If not, what sections did you review?

yes I have read enough! This book is not for children. It needs to be placed in a restricted area a way from children and teens.

5. What course of action do you recommend in regard to this resource?  
restrict from minors from reading this book

6. Please state your reasons for making this recommendation. To what in the resource do you object? Please be specific: cite pages, scenes or sections. Consider commenting on the resource as a whole, as well as being specific on the matters which concern you.  
It is obscene. Children should not be allowed to read it. Goes against the Law.

7. In its place, what materials would you recommend on this topic?  
something that does not go against the law of Obscenity Title 14

**NOTE:**

This statement will be referred to a Library Resource Review Committee. You will be advised in writing of the committee's decision. Thank you for your concern and input.