



December 20, 2023,

We received your Request for Reconsideration regarding the book *Love Makes a Family* by Sophie Beer. We have owned this title since May 2022, and it has been checked out 6 times. We reviewed it and have decided to retain it in the Children's Board Book section.

According to our book vendor, this book's intended audience is children ages 5-6, grade K. The publisher recommends it for ages 3 and under or pre-school. It contains content and themes relevant to and written for children. The front and back cover of the book make clear the content and focus - families of all kinds. Board books are designed to introduce concepts and promote literacy to children using simple bold text and illustrations, and this book meets those criteria.

The online catalog includes details about the content in this book, and is positively reviewed. The reconsideration request form states "one of the men... is depicted with breasts." This book does not define any drawing of a person as a man or woman and all chests and breasts are covered. Some individuals may object to the families in this book, but it is developmentally appropriate for children in general, popular in our collection, and located where one would expect to find it. There are community members who are represented in these pages and others who are interested in reading about families of all kinds.

The Christian County Library makes every effort to provide a broad selection of materials to meet the needs of diverse audiences, and we rely on parents and guardians to determine what is or is not suitable for their households.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Renee Brumett, Executive Director
Christian County Library