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A Tribute Resolution Honoring Judith M. Nixon upon her Retirement

Whereas throughout her career Judith Nixon has worked tirelessly to model and promote the value of librarians:

Whereas Judith Nixon has served with distinction as a librarian at Purdue University for 34 years. During her tenure, she has worked in several of the university's library research areas, including: Consumer and Family Sciences; Management and Economics; and Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education. In 2009 has earned the rank of Professor of Library Science;

Whereas Judith Nixon established the Lodging and Restaurant Index which later became the genesis of the *Hospitality and Tourism Full Text* (EBSCO);

Whereas Judith Nixon developed the finding aid for serious company history researchers looking for the hard copy Annual Reports to Shareholders (ARS) which identifies reports from approximately 38,000 companies in the collections of Columbia University, Cornell University, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Purdue University, Stanford University, University of Alabama, University of California-Berkeley, University of Pennsylvania, University of Western Ontario, Yale University, and the Science/Industry/Business Library of New York Public Library;

Whereas Judith Nixon has published on such diverse topics as patron driven acquisition, succession planning, and business librarianship, and has been cited 609 times with an h-Index of 12;

Whereas Judith Nixon has shepherded scholars in library science, she has also contributed to developing of the field by being a co-editor of the journal *Collection Management* (Taylor & Francis);

Whereas Judith Nixon served as Chair of Business Reference and Services Section of Reference and User Services Association a Division of the American Library Association from 1994-1995, the 8th Chair of ALA RUSA BRASS, as well as served as Member-At-Large on the BRASS Executive Committee, and Chair of the Business Reference Sources Committee:

Whereas Judith Nixon received the Gale Research Award for Excellence in Business Librarianship, the highest award a business librarian can receive in ALA, in 1994;

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Whereas Judith Nixon won the John H. Moriarty Award for Excellence in Library Service to the Faculty and Students of Purdue University, 1989;

Whereas Judith Nixon has mentored multiple generations of librarians; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

- 1. recognizes Judth M. Nixon's achievements and her contributions to the world of librarianship and specifically to ALA and its members; and
- 2. expresses its appreciation and gratitude for those contributions and wishes her well in her retirement, with many members looking forward to her continued interest in and support of libraries.

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