Memorial Resolution Honoring Manuel Urrizola

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) lost a valued member and a colleague on November 6, 2021, with the death of Manuel Urrizola;

Whereas Mr. Manuel Urrizola served as the head of metadata and technical services in the University of California, Riverside Libraries since 2007;

Whereas Mr. Urrizola received his Master of Library Sciences from the University of California, Berkeley and Bachelor of Arts from Amherst College;

Whereas Mr. Urrizola was an extraordinary member in the profession; he was known as a very thoughtful, thorough and energetic cataloger who took his work very seriously; Mr. Urrizola was a kind mentor and friend to many in the profession; he was a life member of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) and actively participated in CALA activities including the well-known CALA banquets and played the important role of serving as the MC many times;

Whereas Mr. Urrizola demonstrated strong commitments to serve the profession through American Library Association (ALA), Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (all ALCTS sections), Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA), California Library Association (CLA), Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), Librarians Association of the University of California (LAUC), Southern California Technical Processing Group (SCTPG), and other organizations; and

Whereas Mr. Urrizola was elected to chair major committees in the above esteemed professional associations at the state and national levels. His exceptional leadership at the above associations was inspiring. Now, therefore be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions and accomplishments of Manuel Urrizola over the course of his career and mourns his death; and

2. extends its sincerest condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues.

Mover: Raymond Pun, ALA Councilor at Large

Seconder: Melissa Cardenas-Dow, ALA Councilor at Large

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