**2017-2018 ALA Memorial #7**

 **2018 ALA Annual Conference**

**Memorial Resolution for Herbert Biblo (1924-2018)**

Whereas, the American Library Association (ALA) and the worldwide library community lost a stalwart member and progressive leader on March 30, 2018, with the death of Herb Biblo;

Whereas, Herb Biblo was a strong advocate for social justice throughout his long life;

Whereas, Herb engaged in struggles for workers and civil rights, against apartheid in South Africa, and in many other US and international causes through his engagement in the American Library Association and the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA);

Whereas, Herb was elected to the ALA Council from 1977 to 1989, 1992 to 1996, and 1999-2002, including his term as ALA Treasurer from 1980 to 1984;

Whereas, Herb joined ALA’s Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT) soon after its inauguration, and played a strong role in influencing SRRT policies and activities;

Whereas, Herb worked with his distinguished partner, Mary Biblo, in the ALA Council and SRRT over these many years;

Whereas, Herb vigorously advocated for all types of libraries in Long Island and throughout New York State through legislative and various other means;

Whereas, Herb worked at the Long Island Library Resources Council (LILRC) for thirty-five years, and had only recently retired as its Executive Director;

Whereas, Herb served as President of the Nassau County Library Association, won its 2000 LDA [Publishers] Award for Excellence in Library Achievement, and received the Library Trustees Association of New York State Distinguished Service Award in 2010; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Herbert Biblo be remembered, celebrated, and honored for his significant contributions to ALA and the library profession.

Mover: Laura Koltutsky, SRRT Councilor

Seconder: Mike Marlin, ALA Executive Board Member

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Additional Seconders: Ismail Abdullahi, ALA Councilor-at-Large; John DeSantis, ALA Councilor-at-Large; ALA Ed Garcia ALA Councilor-at-Large; Pat Hogan ALA Small Round Tables Councilor; Ginny Moore ALA Councilor-at-Large; and Patty Wong, ALA Executive Board Member

If you wish to donate in memory of Herbert Biblo, these are the charitable organizations he supported in his lifetime.

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