**2017-2018 ALA MMD#3**

**2018 ALA Annual Conference**

**RESOLUTION ON THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENT**

**FOR THE ALA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Whereas, the American Library Association (ALA) Membership voted overwhelmingly

by a margin of 62% to 35% to reinstate the MLS requirement for the ALA Executive

Director;

Whereas, more than 400 members voted for the reinstatement of the degree than for

the winning Presidential candidate;

Whereas, the ballot measure gleaned more than 2,500 votes than the highest vote for a

Council member (65% more);

Whereas, the reinstatement will not occur because a quorum of 25 percent of the ALA

individual members did not vote; and

Whereas, an ALA ballot has not received a quorum in the last decade; now, therefore,

be it

*Resolved*, That ALA Council reinstate the language of ALA Policy A.4.1.1 Executive Director to state that “An ALA-accredited Master’s Degree or a Master’s Degree with a specialty in School Librarianship that has been Nationally Recognized by AASL/CAEP-accredited is a required qualification for the ALA Executive Director.”

Michael A. Golrick, ALA Member (since 1976)

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