ALA Midwinter 2019

Crafting Quality Resolutions: Council Orientation Edition

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Resolution Thanking Congress and the President for Funding Libraries

Whereas, The Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA) funds the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA); and

Whereas, LSTA has stimulated library innovation in a variety of ways; and

Whereas, The LSTA reauthorization received bipartisan support from Senators on both sides of the aisle; and

Whereas, The MLSA reauthorization was passed by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, the full Senate, and the House of Representatives.

Whereas, President Donald Trump threatened to not sign the MLSA into law, he eventually did so on December 22, 2017.

Resolved, The American Library Association would like to thank the Senate leadership, the Senate and House of Representatives, and President Trump for their efforts to sustain the federal role supporting library services, as the cornerstone of our nation’s information infrastructure.

Resolution Commending the U.S. Congress and the President on the Reauthorization of the Museum and Library Services Act

Whereas, the Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA) reauthorizes the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), ALA Policy A.6.1 (Management of ALA Funds);

Whereas, LSTA has stimulated library innovation, digital literacy, 21st century skills, improved services and facilities, literacy, interlibrary cooperation, resource sharing, workforce resources and services, and library and information science research;

Whereas, the LSTA reauthorization received bipartisan support from Senators Jack Reed (D-RI), Thad Cochran (R-MS), Richard Burr (R-NC), Tom Harkin (D-IA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Michael Enzi (RWY), and Jon Tester (D-MT);

Whereas, the MLSA reauthorization was quickly passed unanimously without amendments by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, the full Senate, and the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, President Donald Trump signed MLSA into law on December 22, 2017; now therefore be it

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

Commends the leadership of Senator Jack Reed, co-sponsors Senators Thad Cochran, Richard Burr, Tom Harkin, Susan Collins, Michael Enzi, and Jon Tester and the members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, and President Donald Trump for their efforts to sustain the federal role supporting library services, as the cornerstone of our nation’s information infrastructure.

Mover: Molly Mover, State Chapter Councilor, 555-222-5555
1. Title of Resolution
   Resolution: Commanding the U.S. Congress and the

2a. Resolution File: Attach your MS Word file
   Choose File: No file chosen

3. ALA Units and/or Committees Consulted (if any)
   - Committee on Legislation

3. Endorsements by ALA Units and/or Committees (if any)
   - Public Awareness Committee

4. Fiscal implications: Specify the resources needed to carry out the resolution's directive(s)
   N/A

5. List all parties to whom resolution should be sent
   - Senate Majority Leader, Speaker of the House, President

6a) ALA general policy or viewpoint: If the resolution sets forth a general policy or an ALA viewpoint, describe
   N/A

6b) Change in existing policy: If this resolution necessitates a change in existing policy, state the policy number and the change
   N/A

6c) New policy: If this resolution establishes new policy, describe
   N/A

6d) Policy conflicts: If this resolution conflicts with existing policy, state provisions for resolving the conflict
   N/A

7. Initiating Committee or Unit (if any)
   N/A

8. Pertinent background information, e.g., bibliography, citations, supportive quotes, URLs, etc.
   N/A

9. Mover's Name
   Molly Mover

9a) Mover's Local Telephone Number
   555-222-5555

10. Seconder's Name
    [Seconder's Name]

11. Second Number
    [Second Number]
ALA Motion Amendment Form

Document no. (if known)

Name of the resolution *

Name of the meeting *
- Select - ▼

ALA Members
Please state your amendment in writing as succinctly as possible. At the appropriate time, your motion will be displayed for consideration and vote by the ALA members.

Sample of Amendment
I MOVE THAT: The wording in the 2nd resolved clause of ALA Resolution on Gun Violence Affecting Libraries, Library Workers, and Library Patrons be amended by deleting the words shown in the brackets: does not violate [the letter of] the Dickey Amendment."

I Move That:

Moved by:
Name *
E-mail *
Phone #

Seconded by:
Name *
E-mail *
Phone #
Member Resolutions

Members

Resolution

E-Form Complete?

yes

no

Resolutions Committee

Fiscal Implications?

no

yes

Barc

Resolutions with fiscal implications must be submitted to Barc
— ALA Policy A.4.2.3

ALA/Council Committee or Unit Matters?

no

yes

IRC, COL, IFC, Units

ALA Policy?

no

yes

Policy cited Correctly

Annual Membership Meeting

Virtual Membership Meeting

Adopted?

no

yes

Consult with Sender

Resolutions Committee Chair

Council I

Exec. Director Report

Consult with Sender

Adopted?

Directive

Dissemination

Implementation
Memorials, Tributes, and Testimonials

American Libraries Magazine Memorial Page

Councilors  Membership  Committees

Memorials  Tributes  Testimonials

E-Form Complete?  no  Consult with Sender

yes  Resolutions Committee

Council Secretariat

Council III  Membership Meeting

Dissemination
Councilor Resolutions

ALA Councilors

- Resolutions
- Memorials
- Tributes
- Testimonials

ALA Council Listserv

E-Form Complete?

- no → Consult with Sender
- yes → Resolutions Committee

Resolutions Committee

Fiscal Implications?

- no → ALA/Council Committee or Unit Matters?
- yes → BARC

BARC

- Resolutions with fiscal implications must be submitted to BARC
  — ALA Policy A.4.2.3

ALA/Council Committee or Unit Matters?

- no → ALA Policy?
- yes → IRC, COL, IFC, Units

ALA Policy?

- no → Council Forum I-III
- yes → Policy cited Correctly

Council Forum I-III

Council Secretariat

Council I-III

Adopted?

- no → Directive Dissemination Implementation
- yes → Exec. Director Report
Resolutions with financial implications must be submitted to BARC

— ALA Policy A.4.2.3
Resolutions Committee Service Schedule
Washington State Convention and Trade Center
ALA Office Area, Table #18

Saturday, January 26
• 9:30-11:00am
• 11:00-12:30pm
• 1:30-2:30pm (Resolutions Committee Meeting, Sheraton Hotel, Grand Ballroom)

Sunday, January 27
• 1:00pm-2:30pm
• 2:30-4:00pm

Monday, January 28
• 1:00-2:30pm

New “Online Office Hours” Feature!

http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/resolution_guidelines

Note:
Eli Mina, ALA Parliamentarian, will also be available at the ALA Resolutions Table for consultation as his schedule permits.

Information about the resolution process:

An online training series for resolution preparation is available at:
http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/resolution_guidelines

Proposed resolutions can be submitted to the Resolutions Committee at:
alaresolutions@ala.org

Questions, comments and/or feedback re: the resolution process can be sent to:
ala-resolution-feedback-request@ala.org

Thank you!