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 **2018 ALA Annual Conference**

**A Memorial Resolution Honoring Krista McKenzie**

Whereas, the American Library Association and the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) lost a passionate supporter and active member upon the passing of Krista McKenzie;

Whereas, Krista served on a number of committees, YALSA Printz Award Committee, YALSA Division and Membership Promotion, YALSA Strategic Planning Committee, YALSA Legislation Committee, YALSA Great Books Giveaway Jury, and the YALS Journal Advisory Board;

Whereas, Krista even prior to being elected to the YALSA Board she was always prepared for board meetings by printing out all the documents and keeping them organized, so she could follow along with the discussions;

Whereas, Krista had a passion and desire to give back to YALSA by serving on the YALSA Board;

Whereas, Krista was a mentee in the YALSA Mentor Program, and had a desire to learn all she could about YALSA;

Whereas, Krista was a great board liaison, taking care of her chairs, and knowing what was going on with each one of them;

Whereas, Krista was always willing to share her knowledge and passion for YALSA with members, friends, and even strangers;

Whereas, Krista tirelessly promoted membership engagement and recruitment, volunteered wherever necessary, openly tackled extra responsibilities, and generally made YALSA a priority despite responsibilities in her work at Garrett College and at home;

Whereas, Krista was a was a proponent of YALSA doing more with community colleges and older teens, as well as with small, rural and tribal libraries;

Whereas Krista always volunteered to staff a YALSA booth at her state library association conferences and handed out YALSA materials at local library gatherings, and;

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Whereas, Krista was a mother, sister, and daughter, who clearly held family very close to her heart; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the American Library Association, on behalf of its members:

(1) honors the memory of Krista McKenzie and celebrates her legacy of service to the Young Adult Library Services Association; and

(2) expresses its sincere sympathy to the McKenzie family and to her colleagues in Maryland and Frostburg State University, as well as to her colleagues and friends throughout the library profession.

Mover: Todd Krueger, ALA Member

Seconder: Franklin Escobedo, ALA Member

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