## A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING ALEXANDRA SAX

Whereas the library community lost a visionary leader and a dynamic and progressive librarian on June 11, 2022, with the death of Alexandra Sax;

Whereas in response to the 2001 recession, she organized a job information center in the Mid-Manhattan branch of the New York Public Library, scheduling visiting speakers and resume-writing workshops;

Whereas Alexandra Sax's enthusiastic and steadfast passion for the library profession brought stellar public library services to its readers and in 2003 she received the library's Maher Stern Award for outstanding service;

Whereas Alexandra Sax rose to head reference librarian at the Mid-Manhattan branch of the New York Public Library;

Whereas at the 2005 ALA Annual Conference she was recognized when then-Senator Barack Obama told an interviewer "The librarian helped me find these lists of organizations, and I wrote to every organization. One of them wound up being an organization in Chicago that I got a job with."

Whereas she was an active member of ALA participating in mid-winter and annual conferences for over 20 years with a highlight serving as the Secretary for Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table;

Whereas she represented the New York Public Library at a celebration of the founding of the National Library in Sofia, Bulgaria. In 2006, she joined a U.S. delegation that met with librarians in many universities and public libraries in China.

Whereas her true legacy lies in her professionalism, energy, and passion that was an inspiration to many librarians both in the U.S. and beyond; now, therefore, be it

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

- 1. Recognizes with great admiration and appreciation the contributions of Alexandra Sax over the course of her career and
- 2. Extends its sincerest condolences to her family and friends, in particular her beloved husband Maurio Sax, and her daughters Dr. Athena Michael and Tamara Stuckey, their husbands and granddaughters Juliette Michael and Corrinne Stuckey.

Mover: Joan Weeks, ALA Councilor-at-Large

Seconder: Muzhgan Nazarova, ALA Councilor-at-Large

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