MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING
AMBER CLARK

Whereas, the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and librarian on December 11, 2018; and

Whereas, Amber Clark was a librarian at the Sacramento Public Library who dedicated her career to making libraries accessible to all; and

Whereas, Amber was a fierce advocate for literacy, education and enrichment for all; and

Whereas, Amber was an inspiring leader at Sacramento Public Library who worked diligently to educate staff and the community on the critical role libraries play in serving customers with special needs; and

Whereas, Amber was murdered for simply doing her job and trying to keep the public and staff safe; and

Whereas, Amber’s death represents library workers who are at the front lines of an increasingly marginalized, angry alienated society;

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

1) recognizes the remarkable work that Amber Clark was able to complete during her too-short career and gratefully acknowledges her contributions to the profession of librarianship; and

2) extends its sincerest condolences to her husband Kelly and her family; and

3) recognizes with sadness that Amber’s murder represents an increasingly frequent danger to library workers everywhere.

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