Memorial Resolution Honoring Luisa Vigo-Cepeda

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) lost a valued member and a colleague on November 26, 2020, with the death of Luisa Vigo-Cepeda;

Whereas Luisa Vigo-Cepeda served as a Professor in the Graduate School of Information Sciences and Technologies in University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus since 1990; Dr. Vigo also taught at Pontifical Catholic University Madre y Maestra, Dominican Republic; El Salvador-US-EGBCI Special Program; InterAmerican University of Puerto Rico, San Germán Campus; and at the University of Michigan;

Whereas Vigo-Cepeda received her Doctor of Philosophy in Library and Information Science from and Master of Arts in Higher Education from the University of Michigan; Master of Sciences in Library and Information Sciences from Case Western Reserve University; and Bachelor of Arts from Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto de Río Piedras;

Whereas Vigo-Cepeda co-founded the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL); she served in numerous leadership roles and mentored many librarians and students in the organization; most recently Dr. Vigo-Cepeda served ACURIL Executive Secretary since 2008; Dr. Vigo-Cepeda organized and conducted numerous impactful workshops and conferences throughout her career; and

Whereas Vigo-Cepeda was an extraordinary member in the profession; she served as past president of the Sociedad de Bibliotecarios de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Library Society); and led the conference program planning for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2011 in Puerto Rico; she was an active member of the American Library Association; Association of Library and Information science Education (ALISE); and the Beta Beta Kappa, Puerto Rico Chapter of Beta Phi Mu; now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions and accomplishments of Luisa Vigo-Cepeda over the course of her career and mourns her death; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to her friends and family.

Mover: Raymond Pun, ALA Councilor at Large

Seconder: Louis Muñoz, ALA Councilor at Large

Oscar Baeza, ALA Councilor at Large
REFORMA, The National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking

and Loida Garcia-Febo, Former President of ALA

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