

2013-2014 ALA Tribute #1
2014 ALA Midwinter Meeting

Tribute Resolution Honoring Giovanni's Room Bookstore and Owner Ed Hermance

Whereas Giovanni's Room was founded in 1973, making it the country's oldest gay and lesbian bookstore;

Whereas Giovanni's Room recently celebrated its 40th anniversary;

Whereas Giovanni's Room has been integral to the growth of the GLBT community in the Philadelphia;

Whereas Giovanni's Room has championed GLBT literature for all readers;

Whereas Giovanni's Room has provided a safe and comfortable place for readers to access GLBT information and literature;

Whereas current owner Ed Hermance has announced his retirement; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the American Library Association, on behalf of its members

(1) salutes Giovanni's Room for its sustained support of literature in the GLBT community; and

(2) commends Ed Hermance on his retirement.

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