Memorial Resolution for Grace-Ellen McCrann

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann was a tireless advocate and goodwill ambassador for government documents, encouraging everyone to consider them a primary source for almost any subject; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann received her Masters in Library Science from North Carolina Central University; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann was well known for her resource collections series, Government Views of...which included web pages on such timely subjects as the Iraq war, SARS, the Rosenberg Spy Case, and D-Day; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann was author of numerous articles and book chapters oriented toward the use of government information, including management and preservation; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann recently curated the exhibit currently on view in the Cohen Library Atrium, The Cold War: Two Superpowers and their Spheres-of-Influence; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann was an integral part of the City College of New York Libraries’ information literacy program, teaching in the freshman inquiry series as well as a wide array of political science, legal studies, international studies, and public policy sessions; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann was a member of many library organizations including: the American Library Association (ALA), ALA Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL), ALA Government Documents Round Table (ALA-GODORT), ALA Reference and User Services Association (RUSA), Metro New York Government Documents Special Interest Group (METRO-GODIG), the Library Association of the City University of New York (LACUNY), Documents Association of New Jersey (DANJ), and served as vice president of the New York Library Club; and

Whereas, Grace-Ellen McCrann tirelessly monitored and responded to posted inquiries on GovDoc-L, the national listserv for government information; now, therefore, be it,
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Resolved. That the American Library Association (ALA):

1. Honors the memory of Grace-Ellen McCrann and her life-long practice of incorporating government information into library instruction and her academic work.

2. Provides copies of this resolution to her family and to the City College of New York Libraries.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
Tuesday, June 29, 2010
In Washington, DC

Keith Michael Fiels
ALA Executive Director and ALA Council Secretary