Memorial Resolution
Honoring
James “Jim” Raymond Przepasniak

Whereas, James “Jim” Raymond Przepasniak was born in 1935 and died October 25, 2009, after having a long career as a librarian and educator; and

Whereas, Over the course of a 40-year career in academic and public libraries Jim Przepasniak was a constant and strong proponent for advocacy, literacy, and diversity in and for libraries and librarianship of all types; and

Whereas, Jim Przepasniak was a active participant in the library profession; serving ALA as a member of Carol Brey-Casiano’s Presidential Advisory Committee; the Border Region Library Association as Chair and Archivist; on various LLAMA committees; as Chair of the Northwest Interlibrary Cooperative of Pennsylvania; as a member of the OCLC Cataloging Advisory Committee; as a Trustee of PRLC/PALINET; as a member of the Texas Library Association; REFORMA; and other organizations too numerous to list, both in the profession and the community at large; and

Whereas, Jim Przepasniak served as a role model for generations of librarians in Pennsylvania, Illinois, and west Texas though his teaching, mentoring, and outreach; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the American Library Association (ALA):

1. Marks with regret the loss of James “Jim” Raymond Przepasniak and expresses its members’ deepest sympathy to his family.

2. Sends a copy of this resolution to his family members as well as to the El Paso Public Library and the Texas Library Association.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
Tuesday, January 19, 2010
In Boston, Massachusetts

Keith Michael Fiels
ALA Executive Director and
Secretary of the ALA Council