A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING EVA EFRON

Whereas the library community lost a school library leader and tireless advocate for libraries on Monday March 20, 2013, with the death of Eva Efron;

Whereas Eva Efron, a lifelong learner, earned a Bachelor of Arts at the State University of New York, Stony Brook in June 1968, a Master of Arts from Adelphi University in August 1974, a Master of Library Science from St. John's University in June 1994, and a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Administration from Hofstra University in June 1991;

Whereas Eva Efron was a dedicated high school librarian for the Brentwood (NY) High School, Cambridge, MA, Assistant to the Eastern Suffolk BOCES School Library System Director, and, her last position, Director of the Nassau BOCES School Library System for the last ten years where she coordinated school library activities among the county’s 56 school districts and private school she led school librarians’ leadership as change agents and develop and implement outstanding programs and services to benefit those learning communities;

Whereas as an active member and twice President of the Section of School Librarians of the New York Library Association (1997-1999), Eva’s leadership led school librarians to implement and embrace the tenets of Information Power 2, the national school library standards;

Whereas as a delegate to the New York Council of Educational Associations (NYSCEA) to represent SSL/NYLA and the School Library Systems Association, Eva modeled the leadership role of a strong school librarian, collaborating with members of other disciplines’ associations to convey the ongoing changes in education to the state’s education professionals;

Whereas Eva was a member of the Long Island Library Resources Council (LILRC) and its Annual Conference Committee from 1993 to her death, and was a member of the Long Island Library Resources Council Board of Trustees 2004-2009, working with representatives of all types of libraries on Long Island to improve service to all residents;
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Whereas, as an active member of American Association of School Librarians (AASL),
eva served as Chairperson of the Supervisor’s Section (SPVS) in 2013, Affiliate
Assembly Chairperson in 2001, Affiliate Assembly Secretary from 1998-1999,
Delegate to Affiliate Assembly from 1997 to 1998, and was a member of the
AASL Intellectual Freedom Committee from 2002-2004 and the Association of
American University Press Book Selection Committee from 1999-2000;

Whereas she was a candidate for the SVPS representative to the AASL Board of
Directors at the time of her death, and

Whereas she was known by her peers for her commitment to advocating for equitable
student access to strong library programs and the issues facing school librarians:
now, therefore, be it

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

1. honors the memory and contributions of eva efron throughout the course
   of her lifelong career as an educator; and

2. sends copies of this resolution to her father Hugo Kahn and her children
   Dawn Efron Landry, David Efron and Nancy Efron.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
Tuesday, July 2, 2013
in Chicago, Illinois

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