MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING DR. NASSER SHARIFY

Whereas Dr. Nasser Sharify was a longtime ALA member who dedicated his life to improving library services around the world;

Whereas Dr. Sharify founded and served as director of the International Library Information Center at the University of Pittsburgh in 1964, and subsequently headed the Office of International librarianship, Learning Resources and International Services at the State University of New York;

Whereas Dr. Sharify was Dean and Professor at Pratt Institute, Graduate School of Library and Information Science, from 1968-1987;

Whereas during his tenure at Pratt, Dr. Nasser Sharify worked as a UNESCO consultant to the Moroccan government to design and create the country’s first school of library and information science in 1973;

Whereas Dr. Nasser Sharify served as a leader, consultant, speaker, author, and mentor in many countries, including Afghanistan, Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan, Syria and Turkey; and

Whereas Dr. Nasser Sharify was awarded ALA’s Humphry/OCLC/Forest Press Award for International Librarianship in 2004 for his significant contributions to international librarianship; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members, honors the well-lived life of Dr. Nasser Sharify.

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Keith Michael Fiels
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