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A Memorial Resolution Honoring Diane P. Monnier

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) lost a respected and talented librarian on November 3, 2014 with the unexpected death of Diane Kathryn Pierson Monnier;

Whereas Diane spent much of her career as a Children’s Librarian for the Montgomery County Public Library in Maryland;

Whereas Diane has been recognized for her more than twenty-five years of service by the Association for Library Service to Children;

Whereas Diane’s love of books and literature led her to later roles as an advisor for Gale’s UXL imprint and as a volunteer in the communities in which she lived, most lately for the Tucson Assistance League,

Whereas Diane was devoted to young adult readers and improving service to teens, serving the profession with distinction with the ALA as a member of many committees on YALSA, including two terms separated by twenty years on the Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers Committee;

Whereas Diane’s belief in giving teens a voice led her to help create, serve as a member on, and chair YALSA’s YA Galley committee, now known as the Teen’s Top Ten committee;

Whereas Diane represented YALSA as a speaker at its first and second YA literature symposiums; and

Whereas Diane always had a love of travel and has been known as a reader’s advisor, book talker, and storyteller that spread to everyone that knew her; now, therefore, be it,

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

1. honors and is grateful to Diane Monnier for her many contributions to the library profession, and for her service to the Association; and

2. expresses its sincere sympathy to her children, Becky Bosch; Lori Kinney, and Pete Monnier, her grandchildren, and her many other beloved family and friends.

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