

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN GANLY

Whereas the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and generous and knowledgeable mentor on April 5, 2016, with the death of John Ganly;

Whereas John Ganly was a tireless and outspoken advocate of business reference, collections, and education;

Whereas John Ganly provided leadership for 37 years at New York Public Library;

Whereas John Ganly inspired countless library students and prepared them to become effective leaders;

Whereas John Ganly's sense of humor, kindness, energy and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with him;

Whereas John Ganly was much loved and respected by his family, friends, co-workers, and many students, both in the United States and around the world;

Whereas John Ganly organized research services for both the Democratic and Republican National Conventions of 1992 and 2004;

Whereas John Ganly authored seminal reference works;

Whereas John Ganly was the recipient of the Reference and User Services Division Business Reference and Service Section's 1998 Gale Research Award for Excellence in Business Librarianship; and

Whereas his true legacy lies in the profound effect he had on the countless men and women he mentored and taught throughout his career, now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions of John Ganly over the course of his distinguished career and mourns his death; and ALA's Reference and User Services Association's (RUSA) Business Reference & Services Section, on behalf of its members, recognizes the remarkable achievements of John Ganly; and
2. gratefully acknowledges his many contributions to the profession of librarianship; and extends its sincerest condolences to his husband, Bill Stern; family; and friends.

Mover: Sarah J. Hammill, RUSA Councilor

Seconder: Ed Garcia, ALA Councilor-at-Large

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Resolution to be sent to:

- John's husband, Bill Stern, 3 East 85th Street, Apt. 2A New York, NY 10028
- Kristin McDonough - Director, NYPL Science Industry & Business Library Director, 188 Madison @ 34th Street, NY, NY 10018
- Bobray J. Bordelon - Princeton University (helped write the resolution)
- Paul Brothers - BRASS Chair
- Jennifer Boettcher - GWU (helped write the resolution)
- Anne Houston RUSA Chair