ALa Midwinter 2019

Crafting Quality Resolutions: Council Orientation Edition

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Resolution Thanking Congress and the President for Funding Libraries

Whereas, The Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA) funds the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA); and

Whereas, LSTA has stimulated library innovation in a variety of ways; and

Whereas, The LSTA reauthorization received bipartisan support from Senators on both sides of the aisle; and

Whereas, The MLSA reauthorization was passed by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, the full Senate, and the House of Representatives.

Whereas, President Donald Trump threatened to not sign the MLSA into law, he eventually did so on December 22, 2017.

Resolved, The American Library Association would like to thank the Senate leadership, the Senate and House of Representatives, and President Trump for their efforts to sustain the federal role supporting library services, as the cornerstone of our nation’s information infrastructure.

Resolution Commending the U.S. Congress and the President on the Reauthorization of the Museum and Library Services Act

Whereas, the Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA) reauthorizes the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), ALA Policy A.6.1 (Management of ALA Funds);

Whereas, LSTA has stimulated library innovation, digital literacy, 21st century skills, improved services and facilities, literacy, interlibrary cooperation, resource sharing, workforce resources and services, and library and information science research;

Whereas, the LSTA reauthorization received bipartisan support from Senators Jack Reed (D-RI), Thad Cochran (R-MS), Richard Burr (R-NC), Tom Harkin (D-IA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Michael Enzi (RWY), and Jon Tester (D-MT);

Whereas, the MLSA reauthorization was quickly passed unanimously without amendments by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, the full Senate, and the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, President Donald Trump signed MLSA into law on December 22, 2017; now therefore be it

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

Commends the leadership of Senator Jack Reed, co-sponsors Senators Thad Cochran, Richard Burr, Tom Harkin, Susan Collins, Michael Enzi, and Jon Tester and the members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, and President Donald Trump for their efforts to sustain the federal role supporting library services, as the cornerstone of our nation’s information infrastructure.

Mover: Molly Mover, State Chapter Councilor, 555-222-5555
1. Title of Resolution *
   Resolution Commanding the U.S. Congress and the

   1a. Resolution File: Attach your MS Word file *

   Choose File: No file chosen

   2. ALA Units and/or Committees Consulted (if any)

   Committee on Legislation

   3. Endorsements by ALA Units and/or Committees (if any)

   Public Awareness Committee

   4. Fiscal implications: Specify the resources needed to carry out the resolution's directive(s).

   NA

   5. List all parties to whom resolution should be sent:

   Senate Majority Leader; Speaker of the House, President

   6. Impact on ALA Policies and Positions: Explain how the resolution supports ALA's Strategic Plan, its mission, and/or its core values.

   NA

   6a) ALA general policy or viewpoint: If the resolution sets forth a general policy or an ALA viewpoint, describe.

   NA

   6b) Change in existing policy: If this resolution necessitates a change in existing policy, state the policy number and the change.

   NA

   6c) New policy: If this resolution establishes new policy, describe.

   NA

   6d) Policy conflicts: If this resolution conflicts with existing policy, state provisions for resolving the conflict.

   NA

   7. Initiating Committee or Unit (if any)

   NA

   8. Pertinent Background Information, e.g., bibliography, citations, supportive quotes, URLs, etc.

   NA

   9. Mover’s Name

   Molly Mover

   9a. Mover’s Local Telephone Number:

   555-222-0000

   10. Seconder’s Name

   John Doe
ALA Motion Amendment Form

Document no. (if known)

Name of the resolution *

Name of the meeting *
- Select - ▼

ALA Members
Please state your amendment in writing as succinctly as possible. At the appropriate time, your motion will be displayed for consideration and vote by the ALA members.

Sample of Amendment
I MOVE THAT: The wording in the 2nd resolved clause of ALA Resolution on Gun Violence Affecting Libraries, Library Workers, and Library Patrons be amended by deleting the words shown in the brackets: does not violate [the letter of] the Dickey Amendment."

I Move That:

Please note that all motions must be moved and seconded by ALA members.

Moved by:

Name *

E-mail *

Phone #

Seconded by:

Name *

E-mail *

Phone #
Memorials, Tributes, and Testimonials

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E-Form Complete?

no → Consult with Sender

yes → Resolutions Committee

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- Fiscal Implications?
  - no: Resolutions Committee
  - yes: BARC

  Resolutions with fiscal implications must be submitted to BARC
  — ALA Policy A.4.2.3

- ALA/Council Committee or Unit Matters?
  - no: Resolutions Committee
  - yes: IRC, COL, IFC, Units

- ALA Policy?
  - no: Resolutions Committee
  - yes: Policy cited Correctly

Council Forum I-III

Council Secretariat

Council I-III

- Adopted?
  - no: Resolutions Committee
  - yes: Directive

Directives

Dissemination

Implementation

Exec. Director Report
Resolutions with financial implications must be submitted to BARC
— ALA Policy A.4.2.3
Need Help?

Resolutions Committee Service Schedule
Washington State Convention and Trade Center
ALA Office Area, Table #18

Saturday, January 26
- 9:30-11:00am
- 11:00-12:30pm
- 1:30-2:30pm (Resolutions Committee Meeting, Sheraton Hotel, Grand Ballroom)

Sunday, January 27
- 1:00pm-2:30pm
- 2:30-4:00pm

Monday, January 28
- 1:00-2:30pm

New “Online Office Hours” Feature!

http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/resolution_guidelines

Note:
Eli Mina, ALA Parliamentarian, will also be available at the ALA Resolutions Table for consultation as his schedule permits.

Information about the resolution process:

An online training series for resolution preparation is available at:
   http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/resolution_guidelines

Proposed resolutions can be submitted to the Resolutions Committee at:
   alaresolutions@ala.org

Questions, comments and/or feedback re: the resolution process can be sent to:
   ala-resolution-feedback-request@ala.org

Thank you!