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Health Coverage Resolution

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Library Association should provide an affordable group health insurance plan for members of the Association who lack health insurance coverage in their current settings.

submitted by Mark Rosenzweig, ALA Councilor at large
> seconded by Al Kagan, SRRT Councilor

>* In accordance, ALA Policy 5.3(16). "All members may submit a
>resolution or resolutions prior to the Annual Conference or Midwinter
>Council meetings by communicating the resolution to the chair of the
>Council Committee on Resolutions through electronic mail or other means
>of information transfer."

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