

A Tribute Resolution Recognizing the Chinese American Librarians Association's 50th Anniversary

Whereas the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), one of the six National Associations of Librarians of Color (NALCos), an association member of the Joint Council of Librarians of Color (JCLC) and the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), and an affiliate of the American Library Association, celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2023;

Whereas since 1973, CALA "is an inclusive, diverse, and member-driven community which provides members with the opportunities to share knowledge and achieve their professional aspirations by providing support for research, leadership, and scholarship. CALA members are key collaborators, contributors, and leaders advancing the field of librarianship globally";

Whereas CALA provides a global forum "to support the professional development and research scholarship of CALA members, advocate Chinese American librarians in professional organizations and enhance the leadership development of Chinese American librarians through training, mentoring, networking, and collaboration with colleagues in the United States and abroad";

Whereas CALA supports and encourages library services to Chinese, Chinese American and Asian American and Pacific Islander communities at large over the past 5 decades;

Whereas CALA recruits and mentors Chinese and Chinese American library and information workers and students, and offers leadership opportunities and trainings for its members;

Whereas CALA, an association member of IFLA provides a global opportunity and forum whereby Chinese and Chinese American librarians can collaborate with other library associations and organizations having similar or allied interests; and now, therefore, be it

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

Congratulates and commends the Chinese American Librarians Association for its years of excellence in the development of diversifying the profession

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Seconder: Hong Yao, ALA Councilor at Large

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