A Tribute Resolution Honoring Gwendolyn Prellwitz

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz began her ALA career in 2001;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz served the Office for Diversity, Literacy, and Outreach Services in many roles including Acting Director and Assistant Director for Recruitment and Retention;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz served as Interim Director of the Office for Diversity for 5 years;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz has been the cornerstone of ushering over 1200 Spectrum Scholars and 18 Spectrum Doctoral Fellows, supporting each scholar in their pursuit of their degrees;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz served as staff liaison for 20 ALA committees;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz has served as project director for over $4.5 million in grant-funded projects in support of diversity recruitment;

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz has been a cherished colleague, friend and mentor to countless ALA members; and

Whereas Gwendolyn Prellwitz has been a leader in equity, diversity, and inclusion in the field of library sciences and the American Library Association; now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the innovative and dedicated leadership that Gwendolyn Prellwitz has provided to ALA members and colleagues on behalf of equity, diversity, and inclusion;
2. recognizes her commitment and dedication to social justice; and
3. expresses its deep gratitude for her twenty years of service; and encourages its members to wish her well in the next stage of her career.

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