

A Memorial Resolution Honoring Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA), the Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA), and the library community lost a valued member and colleague on January 19, 2022, with the death of Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes;

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes served as Director of Library Services at the DeSoto (Texas) Public Library; Director of Library Services at Delaware State University; Director of Libraries and Associate Professor at New Brunswick Theological Seminary; Interim Dean at the University of Maryland-Eastern; Director of Libraries at Virginia Union University; and Director of Libraries at Lincoln University of Pennsylvania;

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes worked several years on the ALA International Relations Committee's James Ames Humphry/OCLC/Forest Press Award for International Librarianship, was an alum of the Snowbird Leadership Institute, and was the first African American male American Library Association Minority Fellow;

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes joyfully and diligently served as a member of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA), Inc., the largest, most powerful, and longest sustaining organization of African American librarians, library workers, publishers, and library trustees;

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes faithfully served as co-chair of the 11th National Conference of African American Librarians (NCAAL), the largest professional gathering of African American librarians, library workers, publishers, and library trustees serving predominantly African American communities and those with an interest in African American librarianship;

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes earned his Master of Library Science degree from the University of Pittsburgh; and

Whereas Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes, with such a career of dedication and service, and a job exceedingly well done, was an inspiration to his colleagues, co-workers, and friends; now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions of Dr. Tracey Hunter-Hayes over the course of his career and celebrates his life; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to his friends, family, and colleagues.

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