Memorial Resolution Honoring Paul Cappuzzello

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) and OCLC Inc., lost a valued colleague on May 29, 2023, with the death of Paul Cappuzzello;

Whereas Cappuzzello worked at OCLC, Inc., since August 1981 in various roles such as Director of Strategic Accounts and Senior Library Services Consultant; Cappuzzello retired from OCLC in August 2016 after an amazing 35-year career in library services sales; Cappuzzello had also previously worked at Bowling Green State University, University of Toledo and Cal State, Long Beach;

Whereas Cappuzzello received his Master of Arts in Library Science (MLS) in University of Michigan in 1975; Cappuzzello graduated from Youngstown State University, and Ursuline High School;

Whereas Cappuzzello worked with hundreds of library leaders from dozens of institutions over his long career and was adored by the customers who called him colleague and friend;

Whereas Cappuzzello was an avid cooker, baker, and gardener; and enjoyed solving Word Cookies puzzles with his grandchildren; Cappuzzello was a committed lifelong learner; Cappuzzello was a friend, colleague, and mentor to many; now therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions and accomplishments of Paul Cappuzzello over the course of his career and mourns his death; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to his friends and family.

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