

RESOLUTION HONORING BARB MACIKAS ON HER RETIREMENT

WHEREAS Barb Macikas, who has dedicated many years of service to the American Library Association and the Public Library Association and the library world at large, and served with great distinction and considerable impact, retired on August 28, 2020;

WHEREAS Barb Macikas has enriched the public library community in many ways but particularly via her stewardship of the Public Library Association;

WHEREAS she has also lent her outstanding leadership to several departments of the American Library Association including ACRL, Conference Services, and RUSA;

WHEREAS she spearheaded important PLA initiatives such as Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Social Justice, and Performance Measurement Tools;

WHEREAS during her tenure the organization's operating fund balance went from \$150,000 in 2009 to almost \$4 million in 2019;

WHEREAS SHE oversaw the introduction and development of essential online learning and regional events;

WHEREAS Barb Macikas demonstrated the spirit of public service by serving as Trustee of the Homewood (IL) Public Library;

WHEREAS her contributions as a smart, thoughtful, hard-working, kind, dedicated, and generous person are unparalleled and will be greatly missed by PLA board members and staff; and

WHEREAS friends and colleagues have also appreciated her leadership, friendship, ideas, and good humor; now, therefore, be it

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

expresses its deepest appreciation to Barb Macikas and hereby honors her for a career of outstanding service and extraordinary contributions to public librarianship and the library world at large.

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