

This memorial resolution was adopted by the ALA Council on Tuesday, July 1, 2014

A RESOLUTION HONORING MARILYN LEA MILLER

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) and the broader library community lost a valued member and leader on May 22, 2014, with the death of Dr. Marilyn Lea Miller;

Whereas Marilyn Miller's career advanced education, research and practice in library service to children broadly and school librarianship specifically, especially in Kansas, Michigan and North Carolina;

Whereas Marilyn Miller's career in school librarianship began in 1952 in the state of Kansas where she worked in high schools, and in 1961, she became the first school library consultant for the Kansas State Department of Public Instruction. She, then, embarked on a career path as a library and information studies educator, first on the faculty of the School of Librarianship, Western Michigan University, then in 1977, she took an appointment as Associate Professor in the School of Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and in 1987 she accepted the position of Professor and Chair of the Department of Library Science and Instructional Technology at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), from where she retired in 1995;

Whereas Marilyn Miller served as President of the Association for Services to Children (1979-80), the American Association of School Librarians (1986-87), and the American Library Association (1992-93);

Whereas Marilyn Miller was President of AASL during the creation of the *Information Power* (ALA, 1988), the national guidelines for school library media programs. Her statistical research on expenditures for school library media programs, in collaboration with Marilyn Shontz and published by *School Library Journal* 1983-2003, has had significant impact on the field. Moreover, she contributed over 300 publications, talks, workshops and seminars during her career; and

Whereas Marilyn Miller had a wicked sense of humor, a wonderful ability at one-liners, and the ability to produce zingers without giving it much thought;

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

- (1) honors the memory of Marilyn Lea Miller, celebrates her legacy; and
- (2) recognizes with great admiration and appreciation the contributions of Marilyn Miller over the course of her career.

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Keith Michael Fiels, ALA Executive Director and Secretary of the ALA Council

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E-mail address: dmeure@cabarruscounty.us 1. Title of Resolution: A RESOLUTION HONORING MARILYN LEA MILLER 2. ALA Units and/or Committees Consulted (if any): n/a 3. Endorsements by ALA Units and/or Committees (if any): n/a 4. Fiscal implications: Specify the resources needed to carry out the resolution's directive(s).: n/a 5. List all parties to whom resolution should be sent:

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6. Impact on ALA Policies and Positions: Explain how the resolution supports ALA's Strategic Plan, its mission, and/or its core values.: none

6a) ALA general policy or viewpoint: If the resolution sets forth a general policy or an ALA viewpoint, describe.:

6b) Change in existing policy: If this resolution necessitates a change in existing policy, state the policy number and the change.:

6c) New policy: If this resolution establishes new policy, describe.:

6d) Policy conflicts: If this resolution conflicts with existing policy, state provisions for resolving the conflict.:

7. Initiating Committee or Unit (if any): n/a 8. Pertinent Background Information, e.g. bibliography, citations, supportive quotes, URLs, etc.:

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