

A Tribute Resolution Honoring Prue Adler Upon her Retirement

Whereas Prue Adler Associate Executive Director, Federal Relations and Information Policy at the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) has been a steadfast advocate for libraries for 30 years;

Whereas prior to joining ARL, Prue Adler was Assistant Project Director, Communications and Information Technologies Program, Congressional Office of Technology Assessment (OTA) where she worked on studies relating to government information, networking and supercomputer issues and information technologies and education;

Whereas Prue Adler advocated for balanced copyright, access to government information, accessibility, privacy, funding for higher education and net neutrality;

Whereas Prue Adler played a leadership role in keeping the Internet open by defeating database protection and encryption legislation, and other copyright restrictions with the Digital Futures Coalition (DFC);

Whereas Prue Adler led the Library Copyright Alliance (LCA) through digital copyright, Section 108, orphan works, Google Books, and mass digitization policy issues and fostered an environment of trust and transparency since LCA's inception in 1999;

Whereas Prue Adler fought the censorship of government information after the 9/11 terrorist attack;

Whereas Prue Adler successfully raised the profile of digital accessibility and provided resources for improving access to information to the broadest audience possible;

Whereas Prue Adler in collaboration with the LCA helped secure and ratify the Marrakesh Treaty to increase access to reading materials for people with print disabilities around the world, helping to end the book famine;

Whereas Prue Adler was named the 1997 recipient of the CIS/GODORT/ALA "Documents to the People" Award, one of the highest honors bestowed by the Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) in recognition of her significant role in the progress being made in access to government information;

Whereas Prue Adler was appointed by the GPO Director to serve on the Depository Library Council (DLC) (1988-1999);

Whereas Prue Adler has participated on multiple advisory councils including the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive Advisory Committee, the Board of Directors of the National Center for Geographic Information and

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Analysis, NRC's Steering Committee on Geolibraries, the National Research Council Licensing Geographic Data and Services Committee, and NIH's PubMed Central National Advisory Committee;

Whereas Prue Adler helped to develop Net Neutrality Principles for higher education and libraries;

Whereas Prue Adler was the recipient of the *L. Ray Patterson Copyright Award; In Support of Users' Rights* in 2006;

Whereas Prue Adler promoted adoption and endorsement of the *Code of Best Practices in Fair Use for Academic and Research Libraries* by leading thinkers and institutions in the research library community;

Whereas Prue Adler participated in the development of the ALA "Principles for the Networked World" (ALA Policy Manual B.4.6.2);

Upon the occasion of her retirement from the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) wish her all the best; now, therefore, be it;

Resolved, That the friends and colleagues of Prue Adler offer congratulations, warm regards, and gratitude for the loyalty, dedication and commitment to libraries across the country.

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