

SUGGESTIONS FOR A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING FRANCES NEEL CHENEY

There is no single right way to write a resolution. However, the suggestions below may help you get started. A memorial resolution does not need to be a biography with, for example, dates of birth or graduation. The bolded words or phrases in the whereas clauses are simply samples of what you might use.

Begin with a general whereas statement of loss to the library community:

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) and the broader library community lost a valued member and leader on March 15, 2015, with the death of Norman Horrocks;

Whereas the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and generous and knowledgeable mentor on Monday May 28, 2012, with the death of E. J. Josey;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her particular library interests:

Whereas Judith F. Krug was a tireless and outspoken advocate of the intellectual freedom and the freedom to read;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her long-term or significant employment:

Whereas Elizabeth Futas served more than 25 years at Nashville (TN) Public Library;

Whereas she inspired countless library students and prepared them to become effective leaders;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her national library activities:

Whereas Ridley R. Kessler served with excellence on the ALA Council and had a life-long **commitment to** bringing government to the people through the Federal Depository Library Program;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her local or non-library activities:

Whereas Gordon Conable was an enthusiastic supporter of the Nashville Friends of the Library and the Tennessee Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee;

Whereas Mrs. Cheney served with distinction as President of the Tennessee Alliance of Wizards;

End with a whereas clause about his/her positive personal characteristics (using his/her full name):

Whereas Barbara Gittings' sense of humor, kindness, energy and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with him;

Whereas Marvin Scilken was much loved and respected by his family, friends, co-workers, and many students, both in the United States and around the world; **and [for next-to-the-last whereas clause]**

Whereas her true legacy lies in the profound effect she had on the countless men and women she mentored and taught throughout her career, now ,therefore, be it **[for the last whereas clause]**

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

End with two resolved clauses:

The first resolved clause should recognize her/his contributions and refer to her/him by full name:

(1) recognizes the significant contributions of Gerald Hodges over the course of his distinguished career and mourns his death; and

or

(1) honors the memory of Lois P. Mills, celebrates her legacy of advocacy for individuals with disabilities and seniors and remembers her service to ALA, the ALA's Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA), and the ALA's Reference and User Services Association (RUSA); and

or

(1) recognizes the remarkable achievements of Frank Iacono and gratefully acknowledges his many contributions to the profession of librarianship; and

The last resolved clause should express sympathy for the loss:

You probably shouldn't list individuals here – except the husband, wife, or long-time companion - for fear of including or leaving out the wrong people.

(2) extends its sincerest condolences to his friends at the Newark Public Library.

or

(2) recognizes with great admiration and appreciation the contributions of Peg Oettinger over the course of her career; and

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SUGGESTIONS FOR A TRIBUTE RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING BETTY TUROCK

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Begin with a general whereas statement of value to the library community:

Whereas throughout her career Loriene Roy has worked tirelessly to promote the value of libraries:

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her particular library interests:

Whereas Francis Buckley has been a strong advocate of no-fee access to government information as a foundation of a democracy;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her long-term or significant employment:

Whereas Jim Rettig has served with distinction as a librarian at Stetson University for thirty years;

End with a whereas clause about his/her positive personal characteristics (using his/her full name):

Whereas his sense of humor, kindness, energy and graciousness has enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with him;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her national library activities:

Whereas Robert Newlein has served on American Library Association (ALA) Council for more than twenty years and was elected to the ALA Executive Board;

Whereas Janet Swan Hill has served as chair of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee

Whereas one of the ALA literary awards is named for Kevin Reynolds and his spouse of more than forty years;

Whereas Mary Mallory was elected chair of Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) and chaired its Education, Information Technology, and Program Committees;

Whereas Cathy Hartman has been active in the Vermont Library Association, serving on its Board of Directors as Chapter Councilor, Committee Chair, and Round Table Chair;

Whereas Pat Smith has served on the Public Printer's Depository Library Council, 2012-2015;

Add one or more whereas clauses about his/her local or non-library activities:

Whereas Michele McKnelly has served as president of her Southern Baptist congregation;

End with a whereas clause about his/her positive personal characteristics (using his/her full name):

Whereas Bernadine Abbott Hoduski has mentored many students and librarian; **and**

Whereas Bernie Margolis has served as a good friend and colleague to many Association members;
now, therefore, be it

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

End with two resolved clauses:

The first resolved clause should recognize her/his contributions and refer to her/him by full name:

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

1. recognizes Michael Gorman's achievements and his contributions to the world of librarianship and specifically to ALA and its members; and

The last resolved clause should express appreciation for her/his contributions and express good wishes for her/his future:

2. expresses its appreciation and gratitude for those contributions and wishes him well in all the years to come, with many members looking forward to his continued interest in and support of libraries.

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