

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the American Library Association is deeply concerned with the increasing encroachment on First Amendment freedoms, and

WHEREAS, an overarching principle of our profession is the concept of intellectual freedom, and

WHEREAS, there are now two bills before the Congress, S.2372 and H.R.6455, which seek to deny Federal funds to agencies which perform, reimburse, or refer for abortions, and

WHEREAS, this would hinder the access to any abortion information such as might be provided to patrons of libraries and information centers, and

WHEREAS, legislation that restricts access to legal, public information is a threat to constitutional guarantees of individual rights,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the ALA Washington Office clo sely monitor this legislation, whether it is in the form of a separate bill or as an attachment to any other bill, and therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the American Library Association vigorously work for the defeat of this proposed legislation.

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