Tribute Resolution Recognizing the 10th Anniversary of the Sustainability Round Table

Whereas The ALA Sustainability Round Table (SustainRT) morphed out of ALA’s Social Responsibilities Round Table’s Task Force on the Environment (TFOE) during “Libraries for Sustainability,” a four-part series of free webinars offered in 2012; and

Whereas the Sustainability Round Table (SustainRT) was founded by action of ALA Council in January 2013 at Midwinter in Seattle; and

Whereas SustainRT became an official American Library Association body with the election of its first officers in June 2014; and

Whereas the Sustainability Round Table (SustainRT) celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2024; and

Whereas part of the mission of the SustainRT is to provide resources for the library community to support sustainability through curriculum development; collections; exhibits; events; advocacy, communication, library buildings and space design; and

Whereas the SustainRT Awards Committee administers two awards each year that encourage inclusive and sustainable practices within our communities; and

Whereas SustainRT Booklist Committee has curated an annual list of 10 notable children’s books on nature, conservation, and communities since 2019; and

Whereas SustainRT supports and applauds the ALA Council for adopting Sustainability as a core value in 2019. Now therefore be it
Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members;

Congratulates and commends the Sustainability Round Table for its 10 years of advocating for a call to action to address environmental, economic, and social equity challenges within our library community.

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