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2015 ALA Midwinter Meeting

This memorial resolution was adopted by the ALA Council on Tuesday, February 3, 2015

A Memorial Resolution Honoring Judith Hopkins

Whereas Judith Hopkins, Associate Librarian emeritus at the University at Buffalo (UB), State University of New York, and lifetime member of the American Library Association, died at the age 80 on August 8, 2014 after a year-long battle with lymphoma;

Whereas she served as Technical Services Research and Analysis Officer and previously Head, Original Cataloging Section, at the UB Libraries where she worked for 27 years and helped the Libraries adopt AACR2 and convert to an integrated library system;

Whereas she was the first librarian hired at the OCLC Online Computer Library Center in 1970;

Whereas she was the third and longest-tenured moderator of the influential AUTOCAT listserv, which continues to be an invaluable method of professional communication for the library cataloging community;

Whereas she was an active member of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS), serving as the secretary of the ALCTS Technical Services Directors of Large Research Libraries Discussion Group (Big Heads), a member of the Membership Committee, the Best of *LRTS* Committee, the Technical Services Cost Committee, the Electronic Communications Committee, and the RTSD (former name of ALCTS) Filing Committee;

Whereas she was also a member of the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), having served as the LITA representative to the ALCTS Cataloging and Classification Section Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access as well as the RTSD Filing Committee, and as a member of the Bylaws and Organization Committee and elected member of the LITA Board of Directors;

Whereas she was the 2006 recipient of the ALCTS Margaret Mann Citation for outstanding professional achievement in cataloging or classification;

Whereas she made valuable contributions to the then-named ALCTS Cataloging and Classification Section (CCS; now Cataloging and Metadata Management Section), serving on the Nominating Committee, Policy and Research Committee as chair, the Margaret Mann Citation Committee, the CCS Brochures Subcommittee, the CCS Committee on Cataloging: Asian and African Materials, the CCS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access Task Force on Metadata, and elected to the CCS Executive Committee;

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Whereas she was a professor of library science at the University of Michigan and also taught at the library schools at the State University College at Geneseo, the University of Illinois, and the University at Buffalo, and whose impact on future catalogers was inestimable and is still felt by many active in the profession; and

Whereas she was a generous colleague, teacher, friend, and mentor to many and had a perpetually kind and humble disposition; now, therefore, be it

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

1. honors and is grateful to Judith Hopkins for her many contributions to the library profession, and for her service to the Association; and
2. expresses its sincere sympathy to her sister, Fran Jordan and brother-in-law George, her brother Edward Hopkins and sister-in-law Carol; her niece Laura Hopkins Young and nephews Ralph Jordan, Howard Jordan, and Dr. Jeff Hopkins; and her many other beloved family members and friends.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
Tuesday, February 3, 2015, in Chicago, Illinois



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Executive Director and Secretary of the ALA Council

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1. Title of Resolution: Memorial Resolution for Judith Hopkins 2. ALA Units and/or Committees Consulted (if any):

3. Endorsements by ALA Units and/or Committees (if any): Association for Library Collections & Technical Services 4. Fiscal implications: Specify the resources needed to carry out the resolution's directive(s):

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.:

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):

8. Pertinent Background Information, e.g. bibliography, citations, supportive quotes, URLs, etc.:

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