

RESOLUTION

F.B.I. LIBRARY AWARENESS PROGRAM

- WHEREAS, The American Library Association has taken a stand against the F.B.I. Library Awareness Program, and
- WHEREAS, The latest law suits under the Freedom of Information Act have revealed that the F.B.I. established files on library staff contacted through its Library Awareness Program and library staff who voiced criticism of the program, and
- WHEREAS, In hearings before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights, the F.B.I. indicated that it has not abandoned the Library Awareness Program, now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the American Library Association recommend that Congress enact legislation restricting the F.B.I. to the investigation of criminal activities; and be it further
- RESOLVED That the American Library Association recommend that Congress specifically prohibit the surveillance by the F.B.I. in libraries and the F.B.I.'s attempt at enlisting library staff as informants, and be it further
- RESOLVED That the American Library Association request that the F.B.I. provide those individuals with copies of their files at no cost, and be it further
- RESOLVED That the American Library Association request that the F.B.I. then expunge these files from the F.B.I. records, and be it further
- RESOLVED That the American Library Association send this resolution to the United States House of Representatives Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights, Congressmen Don Edwards, Major Owens, Senators Alan Cranston, Paul Simon, the Attorney General Director of the F.B.I. William Sessions and the information media.

HISTORY: 53.4, 53.1

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