RESOLUTION TO MEMBERSHIP

Closure of California Library Schools

Exhibit #29

1992-93 CD# 70

WHEREAS, in February, 1993, the University of California~Berkeley announced the suspension of admissions to~ School of Library and Information Studies;

Whereas, in June, 1993, the University of California-Los Angeles proposed the imminent closure of its Graduate School of Library and Information Science;

Whereas, the American Library Association, in a 1990 resolution, affirmed its support and respect for professional library education in American research universities;

Whereas libraries and librarians are essential to democracy, to education, and to the quality of life;

Whereas libraries, now and as they evolve, require professional librarians to help fulfill the public's right to know;

Whereas the actions taken against library schools at Berkeley and Los Angeles jeopardize the future of libraries, library service and the public interest in California and in the western United States;

Therefor,=. Be It Resolved that the ~::·~~--::--:_:· = =~-~:··.-:·-- -:-:_:: .. = =>--,_-_, , :- -__ :. -~_-:;:;_·$~~.,, ,.._ · · : - · · · · American Library Associa.tion supports the continued existence of degree programs in library and information studies at u.c. Berkeley and U.C.L.A.;

And Be It Further Resolved that, within these ongoing programs of library and information studies, · ALA encourages a strong commitment to educating library professionals in the public interest and the public's right to know, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the governor and state legislators of California,

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RESOLUTION ON THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

WHEREAS, In February, 1993, the University of California-Berkeley announced the suspension of admissions to its School of library and lnfonnati,on Studies; and

WHEREAS, The American Ubrary Association, in a 1990 resolution had a/finned its support and respect for prof essiona/, library education in American research universities; and

WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians are essential to democracy, to education, and to the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Libraries, now and as they evolve, require professional librarians to help fulfill the public's right to know; and

WHEREAS, The actions taken against the library school at Berkeley jeopardize the future of libraries, library se,vice and the public interest in California and in the western United States;
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the American Library Association supports the

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REPORT OF THE RF.sOLUTIONS COMMfITEE. Judith Farley, chair, presented the following membership resolutions for Council's consideration:

Resolution on ALA Council Voting Record, MD#ll, CD#75, Exhibit 28: "That
the members of ALA go on record against the proposal by the Committee on
Program Evaluation and Support (COPES) made in CD#4.1 presented at the Midwinter Meeting of 1993 to cease the publication and dissemination of the
Council voting records to all ALA members, and that this objection be made
known to the members of ALA Council."

Since the Council had already taken action at the 1993 ALA Midwinter Meeting to continue the publication of its voting record in American Libraries, the following motion was proposed by Councilors Janice Feye-Stukas and Ginnie Cooper, and Council

VOTED, To accept CD#75, Resolution on ALA Council Voting
Record, as an information item.

Closure of California Library Schools Resolution, MD#13, CD#76 & CD#76.1, Exhibit 29, which read: "That the American Library Association supports the continued existence of degree programs in library and information studies at U.C. Berkeley and U.C.L.A, and that within these ongoing programs of library and information studies, ALA encourages a strong interest in the public's right to know, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the governor and state legislators of California, to U.C. officials, to the U.C. Regents, and to the California and library press."

Ms. Farley reported that the Membership voted to endorse separate resolutions for each library school. Council first considered the Resolution on the University of California-Berkeley, CD#76. Councilors Regina U. Minudri and Joseph Boisse moved and Council

VOTED, To amend the resolution by adding a final resolved clause to
read: "That a co,zy of this resolution be sent to the dean
of the library school at the University of California-Berkeley to be
used in such manner as she deems awrooriate."

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Upon a motion by Councilors Charles

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INTRODUCTIONS. President-Elect Hardy R. Franklin reintroduced President Marilyn L. Miller, Parliamentarian Edwin C. Bliss, Executive Director Peggy Sullivan, and ALA staff members assisting with these meetings.

AGENDA, MD#2, Exhibit 44. ALA members Beverly Lynch and Beverly Papai moved that the agenda be reordered in the following manner: (1) Memorials and Tributes; (2) Reports: President, Treasurer and Self-Study; and (3) Ummished Business. The motion was DEFEATED.

By CONSENT, the original agenda was adopted.

MEMORIAIS AND TRIBUTE RESOLUTIONS, Exhibit 27. The following Memorials were adopted:

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(M-12)
(M-13)
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(M-16)
(M-17)
(M-18)

William Pene duBois
Claire Huchet Bishop
Sandra Pelos & Tom Ballard Bruni Verges
Charles Mikolaycak
Maureen Hayes
Frances Anna Sullivan
Elizabeth A. Widenmann

Also noted was the recent death of Kenneth E. Vance, Professor Emeritus, University of Michigan School of Information and Library Studies, Ann Arbor.

The following tributes were adopted:

(T-3) Warren Tsuneishi
(T-4) Hannah V. McCauley
(T-5) 100th Year Anniversary of the Drexel University
College of Information Studies
(T-6) Dorothy L. Glasby

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RF.SOLUTION ON CWSURE OF CALIFORNIA LIBRARY SCHOOLS, MDl13, Exhibit 29. On motion by ALA members Melissa Riley and Stephen Stillwell, it was moved that the American Library Association supports the continued existence of graduate degree programs in library and information studies at U.C. Berkeley and U.C.L.A.; and that within these ongoing programs of library and information studies, ALA encourages a strong commitment to educating library professionals in the public interest and the public's right to know, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the governor and state legislators of California, to U.C. officials, to the U.C. Regents, and to the California and library press.

By CONSENT, the resolution was split into two identical resolutions--one for U.C. Berkeley and one for U.C.L.A. The second resolved clause was amended to strike everything after the words, "the gublic's right to know."

By CONSENT, the ALA Membership urged the ALA Council to take appropriate, effective actions to express support for the continued existence of each program. of of