Tribute #4
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Tribute to Hawai'i Librarians

Whereas individual librarians in various communites banded together, and

Whereas, by doing so they rallied the general public in support of libraries and professional values, and

Whereas they were effective in lobbying the state legislature to pass and the governor to sign A.B. 252 on June 19, 1997, and

Whereas that legislation specifically reads:
312 -- Selection and acquisition of library books.

(a) The board of education shall take all steps possible in any outsourcing contract in effect on
the effective date of this Act, including the development and implementation of necessary
procedures, to ensure formal involvement by the state public service librarians in the selection of books and other library materials. and

Whereas, in doing so they affirmed their own professional ethics implied in their own public action and mobilization, and

Whereas their actions raised the visibility of libraries and importance of professional library ethics and services in· the eyes of the general public andinspired their library patrons to recognize and value the intellectual opportunities available to them through the public library and to demonstrate that via letters to the editor telephone calls to legislators personal testimony at hearings and petitions in support of their libraries and

Whereas these actions ensure that the citizens of Hawai'i have access to the full dimension of ideas they need to be an informed citizenry

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the American Library Assocition applauds the efforts of the librarians in Hawai'i to safeguard the right of local control of selection of library materials.

AND THAT copies of this resolution be sent to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i and the president of the Hawai'i Library Association.

Exhibit66

Moved by:~ - MichaelA.Golrick

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AGENDA ITEMS NOT DISCUSSED DURING COUNCIL II. The loss of a quorum (75 councilors) prohibited Council from taking action on the following items: CD#53, Resolution on the Outsourcing of Collection Development, Exhibit 65, and Tribute #4, Tribute to Hawai Librarians, Exhibit H.

ADJOURNMENT. Council Ill adjourned at 1 :25 p.m.

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