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**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR PATRICE MCDERMOTT**

WHEREAS, Ms. Patrice McDermott has served the members of the American Library Association's (ALA) as the Deputy Director of the Office of Government Relations since 2001; and

WHEREAS, Patrice has been a committed advocate for open access to federal government information and the public's right to know; and

WHEREAS, Patrice has been a diligent proponent for privacy issues, including the protection of library records; and

WHEREAS, Patrice has been a leader in ALA's efforts pertaining to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the U.S.A. PATRIOT ACT, and E-Government; and

WHEREAS, Patrice has been a leader in the display of fashionable hats during conferences; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the American Library Association (ALA) congratulates Patrice in her new position as director of OpenTheGovernment.org; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the ALA membership look forward to collaborating with Patrice on issues of mutual interest; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the ALA membership extends its sincere appreciation for Patrice's tireless efforts on behalf of the Association and library users around the world and wish her continued success.

Endorsed by ALA Council 6/28/06

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