

**RESOLUTION ON GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE FY 2012
APPROPRIATIONS**

Whereas, No-fee public access to government information is the foundation of an informed citizenry; and

Whereas, The Government Printing Office (GPO) supports this foundation by providing no-fee permanent public access to government information in a variety of formats, including distribution and dissemination of Congressional and other government information through the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP); and

Whereas, The GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys) enables GPO to capture, provide no-fee online access to and preserve official government information from all three branches of government; and


Whereas, The GPO's appropriations for Salaries and Expenses includes funding to ensure that government information will continue to be dispersed through the FDLP; and

Whereas, The GPO's appropriations for Salaries and Expenses will support the continuation of FDsys to ensure that valuable government information created today will be electronically discoverable, accessible, and preserved for future generations; and

Whereas, The GPO's appropriations for its Revolving Fund support information technology infrastructure and continuing systems development for FDsys and is necessary for the development and implementation of vital enhancements to FDsys including critical functionality for processing new collections; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the American Library Association (ALA) urges Congress to reaffirm the United States Government Printing Office's (GPO) mission in providing no-fee permanent public access to government information by fully funding the GPO appropriations for FY 2012 at the level requested by the United States Public Printer.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Michael Fiels', with a stylized, cursive script.

Keith Michael Fiels

ALA Executive Director and Secretary of the ALA Council

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In New Orleans, Louisiana