

**ENDORISING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON
DEPOSITORY LIBRARY ACCESS TO FEDERAL AUTOMATED DATA BASES**

WHEREAS, The Joint Committee on Printing's Ad Hoc Committee on Depository Library to Federal Automated Data Bases has found that much government information is stored only in electronic media and often is less accessible to the public than previously and,

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Committee has indicated that as the "cost of traditional ink on paper rises and manipulation of paper documents becomes comparatively more cumbersome, we can expect more Government information to be available only through electronic media," THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Government Documents Round Table endorse the principle as enunciated by the Ad Hoc Committee, that the Federal Government should provide access to federal information in electronic form through the depository library system and, BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Government Documents Round Table support the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee that the economic feasibility of providing such access be investigated through pilot projects and, BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Government Documents Round Table communicate this resolution to the Joint Committee on Printing, the Public Printer and the ALA Washington office.

**Passed by Government Documents Round Table, American Library Association at
Midwinter Conference, January 8, 1985**