RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE
GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUND TABLE
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
January 26, 1978

Whereas, one of the basic purposes and responsibilities of the Government Documents Round Table of the American Library Association, through its Microforms Task Force, is to encourage and further the publication and use of government documents in microform in order better to serve public information needs, and

Whereas, the Joint Committee on Printing of the United States Congress has authorized and the United States Government Printing Office has implemented a program for distribution of microfiche of GPO documentation and non-GPO documentation to depository libraries which will increase the accessibility of government publications to the general public,

Therefore be it resolved, that the American Library Association commend the Joint Committee on Printing of the United States Congress for its authorization and the Government Printing Office for its implementation of the GPO Micropublishing Program for Depository Libraries, and

Be it further resolved, that ALA express an appreciation to the GPO for recognizing the varying needs of different types of depository libraries by offering a choice between hard copy and microform for GPO documentation selected for conversion to microform, and

Be it further resolved, that ALA express concern over GPO's distribution of microforms that do not meet established standards for permanency, and

Be it further resolved, that ALA urge the GPO to fully utilize the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer and the Micropublishing Advisory Council to the Public Printer in the continuing development and review of the program, and

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be forwarded to the Joint Committee on Printing and the Public Printer of the United States.

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(Seconded will be present when resolution is introduced)