



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS
AND RECORDS COMMISSION**

- WHEREAS,** The American Library Association is dedicated to promoting and improving library service and librarianship and meeting the cultural needs of society; and
- WHEREAS,** The NHPRC provides national leadership in preserving and publishing the vital records of our nation's history; and
- WHEREAS,** Grants from the NHPRC have helped American libraries develop their archival components; and
- WHEREAS,** Grants from the NHPRC have helped university and other nonprofit presses to publish significant collections of historical documents; and
- WHEREAS,** The NHPRC has been a national leader in encouraging high standards for printing and binding in the publishing field; and
- WHEREAS,** The NHPRC is taking an important role in fostering research on electronic records of importance to American libraries as well as archives; and
- WHEREAS,** The new plan of the NHPRC for documentary progress in the 1990s contains specific provisions for support for the publication of a wide range of historical materials in a variety of media, and for assistance to nonprofit institutions, such as libraries, to develop their archival components; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the American Library Association support reauthorization by the United States Congress of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission; and, be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the ALA urge the Congress to reauthorize the NHPRC to receive annual appropriations of at least \$10 million, the present authorization ceiling, and to receive appropriations for fiscal year 1994 in the authorized amount.

Adopted by the Council of the
American Library Association
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