

**A RESOLUTION HONORING CYNTHIA D. CLARK**

Whereas the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and generous and knowledgeable mentor on Sunday, May 24, 2015, with the death of Cynthia D. Clark;

Whereas she was an acknowledged leader in technical services, noted for her reflective and inclusive style in working with colleagues, and was a generous and willing Association volunteer

Whereas Cynthia Clark was the Director of Technical Services, Research Libraries, New York Public Library and led the effort to merge Research and Branch Technical Services to create Collections and Circulation Operations;

Whereas she served more than 37 years as a professional librarian at Adelphi University, the New York Public Library, the University of California, Irvine, Princeton University, and the State University of New York, Albany;

Whereas Cynthia Clark was a tireless and outspoken advocate for technical services, operational excellence, and commitment to staff development;

Whereas she was an active member of the American Library Association (ALA), served with excellence in multiple divisions of the American Library Association, including the Association for Library Collections and Technical Service (ALCTS), ACRL, LAMA, and LITA, and had a life-long commitment to the use of emerging technologies in the technical services setting;

Whereas Cynthia Clark's sense of humor, kindness, energy, and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with her; and

Whereas her true legacy lies in the profound effect she had on the countless men and women she mentored throughout her career, now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. recognizes the significant contributions of Cynthia D. Clark over the course of her distinguished career and mourns her death; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to her family, friends, and colleagues.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association  
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Keith Michael Fiels  
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