

***This resolution was adopted by the ALA Council on Tuesday, June 28, 2016***

## MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN GANLY

Whereas the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and generous and knowledgeable mentor on April 5, 2016, with the death of John Ganly;

Whereas John Ganly was a tireless and outspoken advocate of business reference, collections, and education;

Whereas John Ganly provided leadership for 37 years at New York Public Library;

Whereas John Ganly inspired countless library students and prepared them to become effective leaders;

Whereas John Ganly's sense of humor, kindness, energy and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with him;

Whereas John Ganly was much loved and respected by his family, friends, co-workers, and many students, both in the United States and around the world;

Whereas John Ganly organized research services for both the Democratic and Republican National Conventions of 1992 and 2004;

Whereas John Ganly authored seminal reference works;

Whereas John Ganly was the recipient of the Reference and User Services Division Business Reference and Service Section's 1998 Gale Research Award for Excellence in Business Librarianship; and

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

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions of John Ganly over the course of his distinguished career and mourns his death; and ALA's Reference and User Services Association's (RUSA) Business Reference & Services Section, on behalf of its members, recognizes the remarkable achievements of John Ganly; and
2. gratefully acknowledges his many contributions to the profession of librarianship; and extends its sincerest condolences to his husband, Bill Stern; family; and friends.

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