



RESOLUTION ON LSTA REAUTHORIZATION

- WHEREAS,** The Library Services and Construction Act has stimulated public library innovation, improved services and facilities, literacy, interlibrary cooperation, and resource sharing throughout its history; and
- WHEREAS,** The Act is due for reconsideration by Congress by 1996; and
- WHEREAS,** A broadly representative inter-association Task Force on LSCA Reauthorization led by ALA's Committee on Legislation has developed a new streamlined approach to federal support of libraries; and
- WHEREAS,** The American Library Association has endorsed the policy directions of the proposed Library Services and Technology Act, which supports information access through technology, information empowerment through special services, and library support for children in poverty; and
- WHEREAS,** A bipartisan group of leaders of Congress has used the proposed Library Services and Technology Act as a basis for LSTA provisions in HR 1617 and S 856; and
- WHEREAS,** Senators Nancy Kassebaum, Jim Jeffords, Claiborne Pell, Edward Kennedy, Alan Simpson, Christopher Dodd, and Representatives William Goodling, Randy (Duke) Cunningham, and Dale Kildee have clearly demonstrated their support for LSTA concepts; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the American Library Association commend the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee and the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee, and especially Senators Nancy Kassebaum, Jim Jeffords, Claiborne Pell, Edward Kennedy, Alan Simpson, and Christopher Dodd, and Representatives William Goodling, Randy (Duke) Cunningham, and Dale Kildee for their efforts to continue a federal role in support of library services and the use of technologies for improved service delivery to the American public.

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