

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE WHITE HOUSE

CONFERENCE ON LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES

Whereas, the American Library Association has consistently supported the call for a White House Conference on Library and Information Services, and

Whereas, ALA members throughout the country are embarking on planning for the pre-White House Conferences in every state and territory, and

Whereas, a White House Conference offers the country an opportunity to focus on techniques and methods that can be used to provide the kinds of information and recreational services that Americans need and expect, and

Whereas, the President, Members of Congress, federal agencies, the states and the people have need for the recommendations and direction which will come from a White House Conference, and

Whereas, a White House Conference offers the ideal incentive, visibility, effectiveness and influence needed to stimulate the development of library and information services, and

Whereas, the prestige of a White House Conference on Library and Information Services will make a major contribution to development of library and information resources for years to come, and

Whereas, this conference, with the preceding state conferences, will provide an opportunity for participation of a wide spectrum of the American people in the discussion of library needs and future directions, and

Whereas, the American Library Association reaffirms the beliefs expressed in the Resolution on the White House Conference on Library and Information Services adopted by Council on January 24, 1975,

Therefore, be it resolved that ALA urge the President to make his appointments to the Advisory Committee immediately so that the initial planning can begin, and

Be it further resolved that ALA call upon the President to issue the call to the White House Conference on Library and Information Services, and

Be it further resolved that ALA request Congress to expedite funding of the White House Conference on Library and Information Services and thus join in support for the mission of such a conference.

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
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