

A Memorial Resolution Honoring Joseph Branin

Whereas, Joseph J. Branin was the founding Director of the University Library at the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology from 2009;

Whereas, he was Director at The Ohio State University, Director of Libraries at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and he also held management positions at the University of Minnesota, University of Georgia, and Kent State University;

Whereas, he was a leader in the research library community, having served on the board of directors of the Association of Research Libraries and the Publications and Leadership Development Committees of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services;

Whereas, he was named the Academic or Research Librarian of the Year in 1992 by the Association of College and Research Libraries;

Whereas, he served on numerous boards and committees in the library, archives, and museums community including the Columbus Art Museum, OhioLINK, and the Committee on Institutional Cooperation;

Whereas, he was widely published and throughout the course of his forty-year career was a consultant to many libraries;

Whereas, he was the editor of *College and Research Libraries* since 2007; and served on the editorial boards of *Technical Services Quarterly* and *Journal of Academic Librarianship*; and

Whereas, he was dedicated to research, open access, student services, functional library design, and scholarship; now, therefore, be it

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

- (1) recognizes and is grateful to Joseph Branin for his contributions to the library profession as a friend, a mentor, and a valued and engaged colleague; and
- (2) expresses its sincere sympathy to the Branin family; his wife Anita; and the staff of the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology.

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