

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED YOUNG AMERICANS ACT

- WHEREAS, The proposed Young Americans Act will lay a groundwork for a national youth policy and focus services for youth as the Older Americans Act of 1965 did for seniors; and
- WHEREAS, A Young Americans Act will ensure that coming generations will receive a wide range of services needed to be productive citizens tomorrow; and
- WHEREAS, The American Library Association recognizes that youth are the nation's most valuable natural resource for the strong, dynamic future of our democracy; and
- WHEREAS, School and public libraries across the United States provide valuable and essential informational, recreational, and enrichment services for youth; and
- WHEREAS, The American Library Association recognizes it is critical that the library community participate in planning and development of national youth policy; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the American Library Association express its support for the concept of the proposed Young Americans Act; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That this resolution be sent to appropriate committees and members of Congress and to other appropriate organizations.

Adopted by the Council of the
American Library Association
New Orleans, Louisiana
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