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RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUND TABLE ON ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) was established in 1972; and

WHEREAS, for thirty years, GODORT has championed the public's right to know; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has led the development of government information policy within the American Library Association; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has educated the library profession on government information issues and practices; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has led the development of standards for cataloging, indexing, and bibliographic access to government information; and

WHEREAS, GODORT members have been a source of expertise and a strong voice in supporting a broad range of ALA advocacy issues; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has contributed significantly to developing government information policies at all levels of government; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has produced and published a broad range of tools to facilitate access to government information; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has been at the forefront of the electronic transition and the utilization of electronic technologies to improve and enhance public access to government information; and

WHEREAS, GODORT has vigilantly monitored the actions and policies of governments and their impact on public access; and

WHEREAS, GODORT will continue to work to safeguard the public's access to government information in all formats at all levels of government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the American Library Association commend the Government Documents Round Table on thirty years of service to the Association and the public.

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Wm R. Gordon Secretary of the ALA Council