

2014-2015 ALA Memorial#16  
2014 ALA Midwinter Meeting

*This memorial resolution was adopted by the ALA Council on Tuesday, February 3, 2015*

### A Memorial Resolution Honoring Leslie Feinberg

Whereas the library community and the LGBT community lost a strong, forward thinking leader on November 15, 2014, with the death of Leslie Feinberg;

Whereas Leslie Feinberg was a tireless and outspoken advocate of the rights of transgendered people;

Whereas Leslie Feinberg was the winner of the 1994 ALA Stonewall Book Award for her groundbreaking novel, *Stone Butch Blues* and author of several other groundbreaking works about transgendered people;

Whereas Leslie Feinberg was a longtime supporter of libraries and librarians;

Whereas her true legacy lies in her tireless activism on behalf of the working class; and

Whereas she was instrumental in helping to raise the nation's consciousness of the right of transgendered people to be themselves; now, therefore, be it

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

- (1) recognizes the significant contributions of Leslie Feinberg over the course of her distinguished career and mourns her death; and
- (2) extends its sincerest condolences to Leslie's life partner, Minnie Bruce Pratt.

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