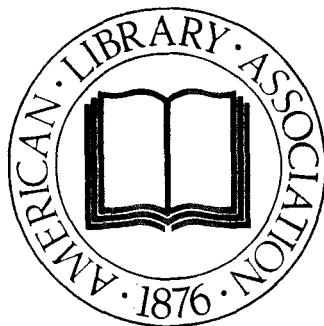


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RESOLUTION ON LIBRARIES AND CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS

- WHEREAS,** Both the House and Senate have passed a significant crime control bill, and are now in the process of conferring over differences in the bills; and
- WHEREAS,** Both bills include authorization for major crime prevention programs aimed at children and youth at risk; and
- WHEREAS,** Library services, including after school homework programs, literacy and GED tutoring, and other programs, improve academic skills, morale, and build self-esteem, thereby lowering the risk of criminal activity among children and youth; and
- WHEREAS,** Once a bill is passed by Congress and signed into law by the President, regulations will be written to implement the legislation; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the American Library Association recommend that the Department of Justice and other agencies responsible for regulations to implement crime prevention programs ensure that libraries are eligible participants in such programs.

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