

RESOLUTION ON *PRINCIPLES FOR DIGITAL CONTENT*

WHEREAS, Libraries are increasingly collecting, managing and creating resources in digital formats; and

WHEREAS, Digital content is a significantly large part of the content that libraries provide to their users; and

WHEREAS, Mass digitization of library materials is being undertaken by libraries and by libraries in collaboration with for-profit and not-for-profit entities; and

WHEREAS, Leaders in the library profession have expressed concerns about policies and procedures relating to the ownership and control of digital content in library environments, in particular regarding digitized library materials; and

WHEREAS, The ALA Executive Board requested that the Office for Information Technology Policy form a task force to propose policy in the area of digital content; and

WHEREAS, The task force sought and received feedback on the principles from across the Association; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the American Library Association adopts this declaration, *Principles for Digital Content*.

Adopted by the Council
of the American Library Association
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