

Memorial Resolution Honoring Coleen Cole Salley

- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley was a renowned storyteller, professor of children's literature, and accredited proponent of libraries and librarianship; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley was a highly-regarded and lifelong member of both the Louisiana Association where she served as President and a member of many years of the American Library Association; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley began her career as a elementary school teacher in the 1950s, then pursued the MLS at Louisiana State University before beginning an auspicious career teaching children's literature at the University of New Orleans where she retired as Professor Emeritus; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley launched a foundation to provide children's book authors and illustrators to visit schools in underserved areas of the country; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley entertained countless children and adults for more than forty years with her storytelling and delightful personality; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley shared her stories with children not only in Louisiana and numerous other states but in an abundance of other countries; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley received numerous awards and honors during her career; and
- Whereas,* Coleen Cole Salley has left behind thousands of happy smiles on the faces of all who knew her or heard her stories; therefore, be it
- Resolved,* The American Library Association (ALA):
1. Salutes the life and legacy of Coleen Cole Salley.
 2. Extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Coleen Cole Salley on the loss of their beloved mother and grandmother (YaYa).
 3. Recognizes the lifetime dedication and commitment of Coleen Cole Salley to libraries, librarianship, children, the people of Louisiana, and the citizens of the United States of America, as well as other countries around the world.

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