

A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING XIAOQIU LI

Whereas the library community lost a visionary leader and a dynamic and progressive librarian on May 16, 2021, with the death of Xiaoqiu Li;

Whereas Xiaoqiu Li worked in the library field for over 40 years with 12 years as the Director of Inner Mongolian Library, China;

Whereas Xiaoqiu Li's enthusiastic and steadfast passion for the library profession brought stellar public library services to its readers;

Whereas he created "The Cloud Service Project," which became a national movement to connect the library and its readers;

Whereas his "Digital Culture Enters Mongolian Yurts" project went the extra mile to reach readers in remote and isolated regions while implementing new technologies and design theories in the digital world;

Whereas he had the courage to forge ahead and actively explore new ideas and strategies for library management;

Whereas he was an active member of the Library Society of China and a two-time recipient of the ALA Presidential Citation for Innovative International Library Projects;

Whereas he continued to support library programs and services after he assumed the office of the Deputy Director of the Department of Culture of Inner Mongolian Autonomous Regions in 2017;

Whereas his professionalism, energy, and sense of humor was an inspiration to many librarians in China and beyond; and

Whereas his true legacy lies in the profound effect he had on readers in the region, across China, and throughout the world, now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes with great admiration and appreciation the contributions of Xiaoqiu Li over the course of his career; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to his family and friends, in particular his beloved wife, Naren Gaowa and his son, Hobure.

Mover: Joan Weeks, Councilor-at-Large

Seconded: Muzhgan Nazarova, Councilor-at-Large