

Memorial Resolution Honoring Dr. Frank L. Turner

- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner dedicated his life's work to the advancement of library services, the sharing of library history, and the education of library school faculty; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner earned his BA in history from Rhodes College, his MA and PhD degrees in history from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and his MLS from Louisiana State University; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner taught history at Arlington (TX) State College, Northeast Louisiana University, Stratford University, and the University of Southern Mississippi, served as library director at Henderson State University, and then began his years in library education as a member of the faculty of the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University in 1974, where he taught until his retirement as Professor Emeritus of Library Science in 1992; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner made many contributions to library education particularly by teaching courses in academic librarianship, cataloging, information professions, and his signature doctoral seminar, *Books, Libraries, and Culture*, by mentoring numerous doctoral students and faculty colleagues, and by serving as acting director of the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner served the library profession most notably as a member of the Council of the American Library Association, as a member of the Texas Library Association Executive Board, and as the Chairman of the Southwestern Library Association; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner was a true scholar elected to Beta Phi Mu, the International Library and Information Science Honor Society, Phi Beta Kappa, and Phi Alpha Theta; and
- Whereas,* Dr. Frank L. Turner, after his retirement, devoted many hours to working with the congregation of The Episcopal Church of Saint Thomas the Apostle of Dallas (TX) and the AIDS Interfaith Network; and

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Whereas, Dr. Frank L. Turner was much loved and respected by his many students, particularly his doctoral students, his academic colleagues and co-workers, and the members of his church congregation as a man of great integrity with a whimsical, independent spirit and as a gentle ironist with a sentimental side, therefore, be it resolved that the American Library Association (ALA):

1. Honors Dr. Frank L. Turner for his lifetime of work in the library and information science profession and his significant work as a library educator.
2. Sends copies of this resolution to Dr. Turner's long-time companion, Jerry W. Turner, and to the rector of The Episcopal Church of Saint Thomas the Apostle for dissemination to the congregation.

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Keith Michael Fiels
ALA Executive Director and ALA Council Secretary