

Memorial Resolution Honoring Lillian Moore Bradshaw

- Whereas,* Lillian Moore Bradshaw served librarianship and the American Library Association (ALA) with her characteristic “charm and ease and exuberances,” as well as with superior intellect and political acumen in many areas, most notably as ALA President in 1971-1972; and
- Whereas,* In addition to her distinguished direction of the Dallas (Texas) Public Library from 1962 to 1984, during which 18 of the 25 branch libraries were built and the central library was built in a partnership of public and private funding, an innovative approach which she championed; and
- Whereas,* Among her legacies are her writings in which she identified the three Rs of censorship (rigidity of purpose, regimentation of action, and resistance to change) and the three Rs of freedom to read (refinement of taste, relevancy, and responsibility); and
- Whereas,* At her death at the age of 95 on February 12, 2010, she left no immediate survivors, but a host of people including those with whom she worked collegially, mentored, and valued as friends; now, therefore, be it
- Resolved,* That the membership and the Council of the American Library Association, assembled in Washington, D.C., in June 2010, celebrates her life and remembers her substance and styles with this resolution, to be shared with institutions, individuals, and groups significant in her life, with assistance in that sharing provided by ALA members Peggy Sullivan and Beverly Lynch.

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In Washington, DC



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