

**2019-2020 ALA Tribute #1
2020 ALA Midwinter Meeting**

Resolution Recognizing the Florida Library Association's 100th Anniversary

Whereas, the Florida Library Association (FLA), a state chapter of the American Library Association, celebrates its 100th Anniversary in 2020;

Whereas, Since 1920, FLA's mission has been:

The Florida Library Association promotes excellence in Florida libraries by advocating strongly for libraries and providing high quality professional and leadership development for a diverse community of library staff, volunteers, and supporters.

Whereas, FLA provides funding for several scholarships for students as they embark on their path to librarianship;

Whereas, FLA offers a multitude of professional development opportunities for all library employees in the state;

Whereas, FLA advocates for strong public and academic libraries and eagerly shares important issues with the Florida Legislature and the United States Congress;

Whereas, FLA supports the values of intellectual freedom and offers protection against unwarranted privatization attempts, providing assistance to Florida libraries facing these and other challenges; and

Whereas, FLA champions strong, indispensable, user-focused Florida libraries that exceed the expectations of the communities and constituents they serve; now therefore be it

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

1. Congratulates and commends the Florida Library Association (FLA) for 100 years of excellence in promoting library services and the library profession in the state of Florida.

Mover: Sara Gonzalez, ALA Florida Chapter Councilor

Seconder: Mary Anne Hodel, Councilor-at-Large

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