

## Memorial Resolution Honoring Danica Sheridan (April 14, 1970 – November 8, 2025)

Whereas Danica Sheridan was a dedicated and energetic leader, an inspiring mentor, and a premier example of professional service to members of the American Library Association (ALA), particularly the Graphic Novels and Comics Round Table (GNCRT), during her many years of membership;

Whereas Danica Sheridan served the Los Angeles Public Library with distinction, joining the system in 2011 as part of the first cohort of librarians hired after the passage of Measure L and holding positions at the Little Tokyo and Silver Lake Branches, where she was recognized for her dedication to teen services, her innovative programming, and her commitment to equitable access;

Whereas Danica Sheridan served on the inaugural board of ALA GNCRT in 2019-2020, where her foundational work on governance, metadata, and cataloging helped shape national best practices and she was widely admired for her service and collegiality;

Whereas Danica Sheridan was instrumental in laying a strong foundation for the initial formation of GNCRT by consistently volunteering for events as early as 2018, including GNCRT's first WonderCon events in March 2019;

Whereas Danica Sheridan contributed to the larger field of librarianship by way of committee work and conference presentations, particularly about cataloging and metadata for graphic novels and comics, and was especially known for her large-scale Star Wars Day celebrations, which brought together community partners, vendors, and the 501st Legion to create an inclusive and joyful event for teens and families:

Whereas Danica Sheridan's work reflected creativity, compassion, and a deep belief in the power of libraries to transform young lives, which she facilitated by working with initiatives such as Teen Council, Teens Leading Change, Girls Who Code, and a wide range of literacy, arts, and community-building programs;

Whereas Danica Sheridan's influence endures in the programs she built, the colleagues she inspired, and the young people whose lives she touched, many of whom continued to return as adults to reconnect and express their gratitude;

Whereas Danica Sheridan will be remembered for her professionalism, her generosity of spirit, and her unwavering dedication to the communities she served; now, therefore, be it

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

1. Honors the life and leadership of our friend and colleague, Danica Sheridan, and thanks her for her dedication and excellent service; and
2. Extends its deepest sympathy to her partner, family, and loved ones.

Mover: Tina H Lernø, Councilor-at-Large

Seconded: Shanna Hollich, GNCRT Councilor

Endorsed by:

Graphic Novels and Comics Round Table (GNCRT)

Eva Volin, former GNCRT board member