

**2012-2013 ALA Memorial #16  
2013 ALA Annual Conference**

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING CAROLYN FORSMAN**

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) and the Freedom to Read Foundation lost a valued member and leader on January 19, 2013;

Whereas Carolyn Forsman was a tireless and outspoken advocate of intellectual freedom and the freedom to read and received the Freedom to Read Foundation 2001 Roll of Honor Award;

Whereas she was in the first class of doctoral students in library science at the University of Maryland, 1969-72;

Whereas she served as a librarian at Vallejo Public Library and the Washington, DC Public Library;

Whereas her excellent visualization skills and creative instinct led to jewelry that “spins, sparkles, flips, flashes, glows, winks, snaps & slinks” and an ALA booth that was a true pioneer of “maker space”; and

Whereas she used her creativity to establish an ALA Exhibits booth to sell her jewelry and donate the proceeds to the Freedom to Read Foundation: now, therefore, be it

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

1. recognizes the significant contributions of Carolyn Forsman to the cause of intellectual freedom and librarianship; and
2. extends its sincerest condolences to her friends and family.

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