



Resolution Recognizing the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association's 40th Anniversary

Whereas the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA), one of the six national associations of librarians of color affiliated with the American Library Association, celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2020

Whereas since 1980, APALA was organized and founded by librarians of diverse Asian and Pacific ancestries committed to working together toward a common goal to create an organization that would address the needs of Asian Pacific American librarians and those who serve Asian Pacific American communities* (APALA website, About, History)

Whereas APALA provides a forum for discussing the challenges, problems, and barriers experienced by Asian/Pacific American (APA) library workers

Whereas APALA provides scholarships and grants to APA students and librarians as they journey through their information careers

Whereas APALA supports and encourages library services to APA communities

Whereas APALA recruits and mentors APA library and information workers and students and

Whereas APALA provides a vehicle whereby APA librarians can cooperate and collaborate with other associations and organizations having similar or allied interests now, therefore, be it

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

1. congratulate and commend the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association for its years of excellence in the development of Asian/Pacific American librarianship

Adopted by the Council of the American Library Association
On this day, June 22, 2020, ALA Board of Council Meeting

Gracie M. Hall, Executive Director and
Secretary of the ALA Council