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A RESOLUTION HONORING CYNTHIA D. CLARK

Whereas the library community lost a strong, forward-thinking leader and generous and
knowledgeable mentor on Sunday, May 24, 2015, with the death of Cynthia D. Clark;

Whereas she was an acknowledged leader in technical services, noted for her reflective and
inclusive style in working with colleagues, and was a generous and willing Association volunteer

Whereas Cynthia Clark was the Director of Technical Services, Research Libraries, New York
Public Library and led the effort to merge Research and Branch Technical Services to create
Collections and Circulation Operations;

Whereas she served more than 37 years as a professional librarian at Adelphi University, the New
York Public Library, the University of California, Irvine, Princeton University, and the State
University of New York, Albany;

Whereas Cynthia Clark was a tireless and outspoken advocate for technical services, operational
excellence, and commitment to staff development;

Whereas she was an active member of the American Library Association (ALA), served with
excellence in multiple divisions of the American Library Association, including the Association for
Library Collections and Technical Service (ALCTS), ACRL, LAMA, and LITA, and had a life-long
commitment to the use of emerging technologies in the technical services setting;

Whereas Cynthia Clark’s sense of humor, kindness, energy, and graciousness enriched those
fortunate enough to know and work with her; and

Whereas her true legacy lies in the profound effect she had on the countless men and women she
mentored