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## Resolution of Appreciation to Congressional Champions for Support of School Libraries and School Librarians in the Every Student Succeeds Act

Whereas Senators Lamar Alexander, Thad Cochran, Patty Murray, and Jack Reed and Representatives John Kline and Robert Scott as School Library Champions recognize the important contribution that effective school library programs make in improving student academic achievement and ensuring that students are adequately prepared for college and careers;

Whereas these School Library Champions worked diligently and successfully to expressly include effective school library programs and school librarians in the language of the Every Student Succeeds Act; and

Whereas their efforts will improve the education and futures of millions of school students across the nation; now, therefore, be it

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

- 1. commends Senators Lamar Alexander, Thad Cochran, Patty Murray, and Jack Reed and Representatives John Kline and Robert Scott for their recognition of the contributions of effective school library programs in the academic achievement of the nation's students: and
- 2. commends these School Library Champions for their efforts to include effective school library programs and school librarians in the language of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

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