

TEXAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Resolution Honoring

Texas State Representative Erin Zwiener

WHEREAS, over the past four years, Texas libraries have faced unprecedented challenges that seek to limit access to diverse perspectives and resources; and

WHEREAS, in the face of these pressures, Texas libraries have remained steadfast in their mission to protect the freedom to read and to provide equitable access to information for all members of their communities; and

WHEREAS, during the 89th Legislative Session, nearly 60 bills were filed proposing limitations on library collections, events, and access to materials, as well as criminalizing librarians for providing access to educational materials and literature, and imposing unnecessary restrictions on library services; and

WHEREAS, Representative Erin Zwiener stood as a tireless and courageous advocate for intellectual freedom, filing House Bill 5635 to prohibit government censorship of library materials and courageously opposing legislation designed to limit access to information and curtail the vital role of libraries in Texas; and

WHEREAS, throughout the legislative session, Representative Zwiener was an articulate and passionate advocate, speaking out forcefully against measures that threatened the ability of libraries to serve all Texans;

WHEREAS, she also galvanized colleagues in the Texas House of Representatives, encouraging fellow legislators to raise their voices in committee hearings and floor debates, strengthening the defense of libraries and pushing back against legislation that would undermine access to information, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Texas Library Association, on behalf of its 5,000 members, hereby extends its deepest gratitude to Representative Erin Zwiener for her principled leadership and unwavering commitment to Texas libraries and the freedom to read.



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