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**NJLA Executive Board
ALA Councilor
May 2025**

Washington -- **American Library Association (ALA) President Cindy Hohl released the following statement on the Trump Administration's firing of Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress:**

"As the President of the American Library Association, I am deeply disappointed in last night's decision by President Trump to fire Dr. Carla Hayden from her position as Librarian of Congress. I salute Dr. Carla Hayden, a wise and faithful steward of the Library of Congress – the library she has called our 'national treasure.'

"Dr. Hayden's abrupt and unjust dismissal is an insult to the scope and breadth of work Dr. Hayden has undertaken in her role leading the Library of Congress.

ALA responds to 'unlawful dismissal' of Register of Copyrights

Washington — Cindy Hohl, President of the American Library Association (ALA), released the following statement* on the Trump Administration's firing of Shira Perlmutter, Register of Copyrights:

"ALA is dismayed at the unlawful dismissal of Register of Copyrights Shira Perlmutter, who has led the Copyright Office with integrity, intelligence and an understanding of intellectual property issues.

Federal Court Halts Dismantling of Federal Library Agency in ALA Lawsuit - May 1

Today, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia granted a temporary restraining order to block the Trump Administration's dismantling of the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The decision was issued in response to a lawsuit filed by the American Library Association (ALA) and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME),

ALA statement on White House assault on the Institute of Museum and Library Services

Our team in Washington created an **FAQ** - White House Executive Order targeting IMLS.

ALA responds to the termination of IMLS grants in several states 4/3/25

Since early April 2025, numerous libraries and library organizations have received notices that their federal grant awards – such as from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) - have been terminated. ALA is responding to these politically motivated attacks on library funding with public advocacy and litigation.

ALA Disappointed by Senate Vote to Block Hotspot Funds

<https://www.ala.org/news/2025/04/ala-announces-banned-books-week-2025-theme>

Banned Books Week 2025:

"Censorship Is So 1984. Read for Your Rights."

Banned Books Week will take place October 5 – 11, 2025.



<https://www.ala.org/news/2025/04/ala-launches-fy-2026-fundlibraries-campaign-driving-congressional-support-fully-fund>

ALA launches FY 2026 #FundLibraries campaign, driving congressional support to fully fund federal programs at risk of elimination

ALA Annual Conference- Philadelphia, PA - June 26-30 <https://2025.alaannual.org/>

ERIC database A treasure trove of education reports and studies is under threat."

Hechinger Report <https://hechingerreport.org/proof-points-eric-under-threat/>

- **5/29/25 to attend: ALA Councilor Virtual Meeting**

ALA President Cindy Hohl has called a Special Council Session scheduled for Thursday, May 29th, to examine the updated Interpretations of the Library Bill of Rights. The ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee will present these revised documents to the Council for the approval of the initial set of updated Interpretations.

- Still active in ALA **Working Group for ALA Societal Statement Guidelines** - Scorecard development subgroup

Spring 2025 issue of Marketing Libraries Journal

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<https://journal.marketinglibraries.org/current-issue/>



Governor Gretchen Whitmer

Opening General Session Speaker

Friday, June 27
4:00pm - 5:30pm ET



George Takei

Featured Speaker

Saturday, June 28
10:30am - 11:30am ET



Angeline Boulley

Featured Speaker

Saturday, June 28
4:00pm - 5:00pm ET



Roy Wood Jr.

Featured Speaker

Sunday, June 29
11:30am - 12:30pm ET



Thien Ho

Featured Speaker

Sunday, June 29
1:00pm - 2:00pm ET



Brené Brown

Featured Speaker

Sunday, June 29
3:30pm - 5:30pm ET



Joe Hill

Featured Speaker

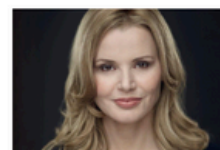
Monday, June 30
10:30am - 11:30am ET



Grace Lin

Featured Speaker

Monday, June 30
1:00pm - 2:00pm ET



Geena Davis

Closing General Session Speaker

Monday, June 30
4:00pm - 5:00pm ET