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Resolution #2

Whereas, The American Library Association has passed a Resolution concerning the REAL ID Card Bill (HR 418); and

Whereas, HR 418 is an attack on immigrants; and

Whereas, HR 418 will cause serious damage to vital constitutional and human rights protections for asylum-seekers and other non-citizens; and

Whereas, HR 418 will cause a blow to the privacy and property rights of all Americans and creates an "Internal Passport" for domestic travel; and

Whereas, HR418 would force states to link databases concerning personal information of every licensed driver, and

Whereas, HR418 would make immigrants, including lawful permanent residents, deportable if they are a member of or give humanitarian contributions to; or even speak in support of, any group later considered by the government to use arms or threaten to use arms and is retroactive without notification; and

Whereas, to have asylum in the US; requires getting a "note from your persecutor"; and

Whereas, the most libraries require some form of identification in order to receive a public library card; and

Whereas, libraries have allowed the showing of mail delivered to an address in order to receive a library card; and

Whereas, libraries are the universities for the people; and

Whereas, libraries will need to use the "real ID", and

Whereas, immigrants and urban and rural disadvantaged people may not have the ability to receive the "Real ID" and to receive a public library card; and

Whereas, many people may be inhibited and/or discouraged to use by the public who is concerned about the federal government and not use libraries;

Therefore Be It Resolved that MLA pass this resolution asking our Congressional Delegation and State Legislatures to vote against the HR418.

Passed unanimously and without debate MLA Conference, Missoula MT May 5, 2006