

ALA Memorial Resolution for Delaine Andree Eastin

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA) including the American Association of School Librarians (AASL), and the broader library community, especially California

both bills into law. Over a million dollars was distributed to California school libraries, and

Whereas Delaine was the fifth woman in California history to be elected to a statewide constitutional office, she remains the only woman to serve as Superintendent of Public Instruction. She served in this capacity for two terms, but was unable to run for a third term due to term limits, and

Whereas during her tenure as Superintendent, she co-sponsored the California School Library Association's state reading initiative as part of AASL's national program, and

Whereas Delaine worked with Republican Governor Pete Wilson and State Librarian Kevin Starr to fund the School Library Consultant position as a permanent position in the Department of Education, and

Whereas in 1998, Governor Wilson asked Delaine where in education to invest surplus budget funds, she said, "School libraries!" T



- (1) recognizes the remarkable achievements of Delaine Andree Eastin as a leader, politician, and educator and acknowledges her many contributions to her colleagues and friends.
- (2) sends a copy of this resolution to the Delaine Eastin Elementary School in Union City, California; the California State Librarian; Governor Gavin Newsom; and the