



Memorial Resolution in Honor of Dr. Ross J. Todd

Whereas the American Library Association (ALA), the American Association of School Librarians (AASL), and the International Association of School Librarians (IASL), as well as the broader library community lost a valued leader on March 30, 2022 with the untimely death of Dr. Ross J. Todd;

Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd was an associate professor and served as Director and Chair of the Rutgers University Department of Library and Information Science;

Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd was a beloved and influential librarian, researcher, speaker and mentor, not only here in the United States, but in his home country Australia, and around the world;

Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd began his career as a secondary teacher, then a teacher librarian in Australia and New Zealand, served as Senior Lecturer in Library and Information Science, and eventually Head of the Department of Information Studies in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at the University of Technology in Sydney, Australia;

Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd was globally recognized for his groundbreaking research investigating how children learn, how they build new knowledge from information and use information for learning, as well as the value of applying



Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd was globally loved and respected for his inspiring presentations and his engaging stories by his colleagues, students, and the countless friends he made across the world and across librarianship;

Whereas Ross J. Todd inspired a generation of library students, prepared them to lead learning communities driven by inquiry-based learning and evidence-based practice, challenging and coaching the advancement and promotion of the profession;

Whereas Dr. Ross J. Todd traveled to speak and teach as well as to learn and generously invited us to journey with him in seeing beauty of the world through his glorious photographs; d0.003 Tw -32.73 -2.32 Td【Wher)1 (ld)-5 ()10 (t)-1 (hr)1 (o)- 72 9 (r)



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