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LAUC Statement of Principles on Undocumented Students Adopted August 3, 2017

Whereas, America's immigrants are a strong and valuable part of the social fabric of this nation; and

Whereas, the University of California welcomes and supports students without regard to their immigration status; and

Whereas, the University is committed to creating an environment in which all admitted students can successfully matriculate and graduate; and

Whereas, the ALA (American Library Association) Library Bill of Rights states that a person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views; and

Whereas, the library community opposes all attempts at the local, state, and federal levels to restrict access to information by immigrants; and

Whereas, immigrants in our schools and in the families and the communities around our schools are under discriminatory attack; and

Whereas, the physical and emotional well-being of our students, their families, and their communities is threatened due to xenophobic and racist appeals; and

Whereas, California's elected leaders have expressed strong support for our state as a sanctuary state, and a large and growing number of our school and college districts have declared themselves to be safe havens for immigrants;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Librarians Association of the University of California reaffirm our support for the rights of the undocumented students and families we serve; and

Be it further resolved that the Librarians Association of the University of California welcomes and supports all students, faculty, and staff regardless of immigration status, in accordance with the <u>University of California Statement of Principles in Support of</u> <u>Undocumented Members of the UC Community;</u> and

Be it finally resolved, that the Librarians Association of the University of California will communicate this commitment to the Diversity Offices and Chancellors on the various University of California campuses.