



## **A RESOLUTION OF THE CONSORTIUM OF ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES IN ILLINOIS**

***Whereas*** the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) has made a recent decision to discontinue its participation in JSTOR with future issues of its premier publication, *Science*; and

***Whereas*** *Science* is an outstanding source of high-quality, vetted information in all areas of science, the inclusion of which enhances the value, breadth, and quality of the JSTOR database; and

***Whereas*** the decision to discontinue *Science* participation in JSTOR is in conflict with AAAS' mission, *advancing science, serving society*; and

***Whereas*** JSTOR has been a singular success in the academy and with researchers in meeting the needs of librarians, scholars, and publishers and which offers a rich, elegant, and robust platform for cross-disciplinary discovery and integration of content; and

***Whereas*** AAAS is a non-profit, membership-based organization; and

***Whereas*** the withdrawal of future issues of *Science* from JSTOR would be an action which weakens and diminishes the value and contribution of both *Science* and JSTOR to researchers, the academy, and society;

***Be it Hereby Resolved*** that the Governing Board of the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) representing the membership of CARLI Libraries expresses its disagreement to AAAS with the decision to discontinue participation in JSTOR and no longer submit future issues of *Science*; CARLI urges AAAS to reconsider its decision with particular attention and consideration to the damage such action would be to the mission and purpose of AAAS.