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## Statement on ChLA Dedication to Academic Freedom and Intellectual Dialogue

As an organization dedicated to academic freedom and intellectual dialogue, the Children's Literature Association condemns attacks and intimidation levied at scholars for the subject matter of a scholar's research. We recognize the crucial importance of scholarship that seeks to redress the inequities in our field, especially in terms of race, gender, religion, sexuality, and disability. As part of our commitment to inclusivity and intellectual exchange, the Children's Literature Association denounces the harassment of scholars, teachers, and students who work to advance justice, cultural integrity, and diversity of representation.