Bound by duty [Letter to the editor]

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Abstract:

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These efforts go beyond the walls of a building, the mantra of a profession or even the whimsical desire of patrons. Instead, they are rooted in an ethical display of informing and supporting a concerned society.

As the past president of the North Carolina Library Association, I understand what libraries mean to their communities and campuses during this difficult time. The recognition of front-line essential responsibilities by library workers is to be commended, respected and appreciated for what was accomplished both individually and as a part of their organization.

At University Libraries at UNCG, we continue to provide resources and services that allow our patrons to pursue their academic agendas, research and creative activities. We remain innovative throughout this stressful new age by working with our colleagues in a collaborative effort that supports North Carolina citizens.

Please thank a library worker April 6, National Library Workers Day, and every day. We've got your back!

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