



Patent and Trademark  
Resource Center Association



Executive Council Resolution  
Recognizing

## *Marian Armour Gemmen*

**Whereas,** Marian served with distinction as the Patent and Trademark Resource Center Representative at West Virginia University from October 2003 until her retirement in December 2023;

**Whereas,** Marian served in numerous capacities throughout her service as a PTRC, including: PTRCA President 2011-2012, Vice President/President Elect 2010-2011, Past President 2012-2013, PTRCA Secretary 2006-2010, Region 3 Representative 2005-2008, Bylaws Committee 2016 – 2023 (Chair); member 2015, Conference Committee 2005 – 2008;

**Whereas,** in her work with the Bylaws Committee from 2016-2023, also serving as Chair, she was the expert for the Association in this area. All questions Bylaws came to her. In this, she facilitated adaptation and growth within the organization, allowing for change to take place;

**Whereas,** Marian hosted the PTRCA-L listserv at her institution, West Virginia University, from April 2019 until her retirement in December 2023. This is an essential part of the organization and Marian ensured that all members were included and that the list ran reliably. She worked to find a replacement for the listserv at Pennsylvania State University before her retirement;

**Whereas,** Marian has been an active and energetic participant in Annual Training Seminars, and a regular contributor to PTRCA-L discussions and problems. She was a mentor and guide for many of us;

**Be it resolved** that the Patent and Trademark Resource Center Association recognizes and honors Ran for his leadership and commitment to making patent and trademark information available to the public, and for the many contributions that he has made to the Patent and Trademark Resource Center Program, to the Association, and to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Signed,  
PTRCA Executive Council  
April 14, 2025