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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposal to eliminate the Academic Libraries survey. As a dedicated advocate with the American Library Association and a professional working in a library, I understand the profound importance of this survey for the academic library community.

The federal government has been collecting data about academic libraries since 1966, and the unique longitudinal data provided by the Academic Libraries survey is invaluable. This survey offers critical insights into budget, staffing, and service trends that are essential for understanding the state of college and university libraries over time. It allows for benchmarking, enabling individual academic libraries to compare themselves against their institutional peers.

I urge you to reconsider the decision to discontinue the Academic Libraries survey. The information it provides supports not only academic libraries but also the broader educational community, contributing to informed policy-making and the advancement of higher education.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Sarah Schroeder