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I was 23 years old when I read, for the first time in my life, books that have been banned during the military dictatorship in Argentina. Reading banned books opened a world of possibilities.

As a librarian, my responsibility is to provide information, and resources for everyone, without excluding anybody. Being in the United States of America, a country admired for its commitment to democracy, is a privilege. I always admired the commitment of this country to freedom of expression, and find the banning of books, for religious and political reasons, disturbing: a nightmare that I don't want to experience again.

I support this bill 100%.