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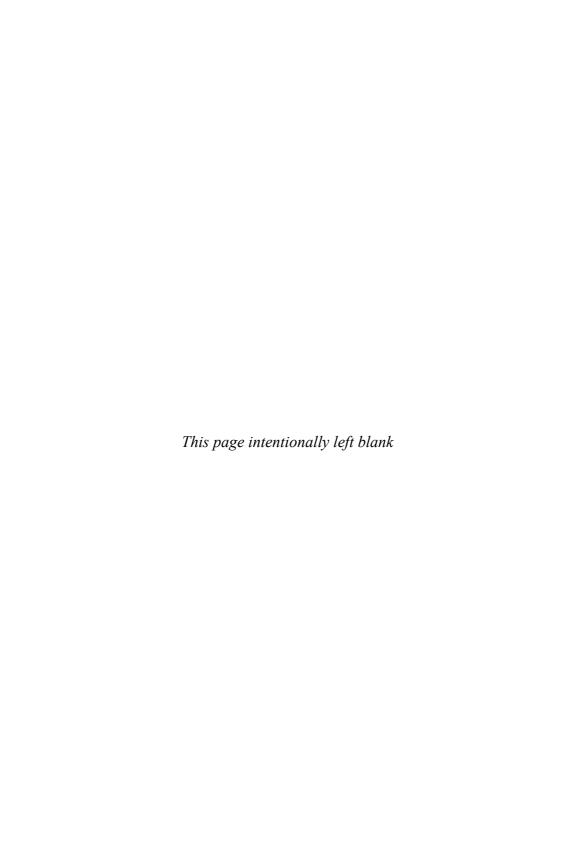
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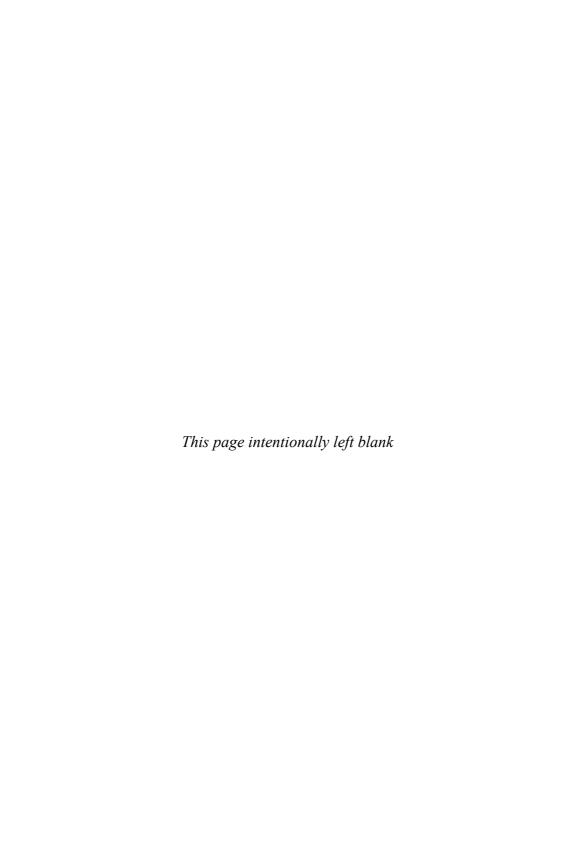
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#### SERIES EDITOR PREFACE

We are pleased to include *Advances in Trans Studies* in our series. Its new paradigm moving from gender deviance to gender difference to gender expansion is a true advance in gender research. In an AGR chapter, Austin H. Johnson (2015) wrote,

as social scientists, we should make a greater effort to address transgender people, experiences, and phenomena in their own right with an analysis that is grounded within transgender communities and developed with a transgender perspective in mind. (p. 37)

With this volume, Baker A. Rogers and Tiffany Taylor along with Johnson have brought us a collection of writings that center the transgender experience and world and counter attempts to mortify, stigmatize and other trans folk. Chapters use a social scientific description based on the collection of empirical data to gain a fuller picture of the lives of trans and queer people. Through systematic research they reveal the daily injustices experienced at the hands of well-meaning and not so well-meaning cisgender people in institutional settings ranging from the family to medical complexes while providing suggestions for ways in which cisgender scholars can partner with trans scholars in revolutionizing what it means to be a human being and in making effective and informed policy recommendations possible. We welcome the new voices included in the volume and the approach, which is intersectional throughout and interrogates cis- and trans-normativity in our thinking and our institutions.

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