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WHEREAS, Gordon Persinger retired on September 30, 2000 after 30 years of dedicated service with the Missouri Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Gordon Persinger was an active member of NARUC's Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure with NARUC's Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Gordon served in various leadership positions, including Chairman of the subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Gordon worked tirelessly to serve the National Conference on Regulatory Utility Commission Engineers serving in many capacities including President of that organization; and

WHEREAS, Gordon has been known for his hard work and perseverance in addressing regulatory, engineering and accounting issues; and

WHEREAS, Gordon has also been known as a "class act" for his personal involvement with committee and subcommittee members, making new members feel welcome and nurturing friendships and closeness among the members; and

WHEREAS, Beyond his technical competence in utility regulatory engineering issues, Gordon was a master at writing resolutions, reports, poems and "rap" tributes; and

WHEREAS, After numerous promises and much anticipation, Gordon finally, finally, finally followed through with his threats to retire, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), assembled in its November 2000 112th Annual Convention in San Diego, California formally recognizes the exemplary service and dedication of Gordon Persinger and wishes him the best in his retirement and future endeavors.

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Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications Recommended by the Board of Directors.

Accepted in Convention November 15, 2000.