

Resolution Thanking Rowland Curry

WHEREAS, Rowland Curry has faithfully represented the Texas Public Service Commission on the Telecommunications Staff Subcommittee, Communications Staff Subcommittee and the Subcommittee on Service Quality for a combined plethora of years; and

WHEREAS, Most recently he has suffered cheerfully for three years as Chair of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") Telecommunications Staff Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, In that role Rowland has often herded and, when appropriate, prodded the staff subcommittee to do the right thing and has been undaunted in his efforts to keep staff subcommittee agendas full during the day; and

WHEREAS, Rowland has consistently and diligently used his Texas tracking and range-enhanced sighting skills to discover the darkest bars and loudest bands and, thus, knows at least one good bar and dance hall in every major city in the US and, it seems, most of the minor ones as well; and

WHEREAS, Rowland has also used his best herding and wrangling techniques to round up the NARUC doggies for a night of fun in town and introduced many staff members to the beauty of BarBQ beef and beans and instructed the fillies in the Texas Two-Step and Western Swing; and

WHEREAS, Rowland has valiantly represented the engineering profession and has not been afraid to defend appropriate

regulation in the face of deregulatory pressures which has sometimes made him the cactus needle in the boot of the telecom industry; and

WHEREAS, Rowland is believed to have gotten at least one pig to fly through his deft arbitration work in Texas; and

WHEREAS, In all these pursuits Rowland has had the energy of a bronking buck and the drive and endurance of a rodeo cowboy and the manners of a gentleman; and

WHEREAS, His good humor, Texas hospitality and cooperative, can-do approach to finding solutions combined with his proven ability as a "cat-wrangler" has earned him the title of Trail Boss; *now therefore be it*

RESOLVED, We never want to see our Trail Boss go, we look forward to working with him in the future and can't wait to see what new and startling things he will do next; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, That the Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications expresses its sincere appreciation for Rowland Curry's hard work, thoughtful leadership and consistent dedication in his three years of service as Chair.

Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications
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