

Resolution Honoring Susan Wefald of North Dakota

WHEREAS, Commissioner Susan Wefald is ending this year 15 years dedicated public service as a member of the North Dakota Public Service Commission; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Wefald was appointed by Governor Ed Schafer to the North Dakota commission in 1993, becoming the first woman to serve on the PSC; after winning re-election twice more, currently serving as President of the Commission; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Wefald brought a valuable perspective to the commission based on her continuing service to the people of North Dakota, as a licensed social worker and certified consumer credit counselor – winning, in 1992, the National Foundation for Consumer Credit’s Outstanding Counselor Award for Region VI, a six-state region, as an elected member (for four years) as a member of the Bismarck Public School Board (including one year as President), as a violinist and a charter member of the Bismarck-Mandan Symphony Orchestra, as the President of the Sakakawea Girl Scout Council for six years and winner of the “Thanks Badge,” the highest award for adult service, and as a member of the Bismarck Public Library Board of Trustees; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Wefald received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1969, and a Masters in Public Administration from the University of North Dakota in 2002; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Wefald has earned the respect of the industry, consumer advocates, her fellow NARUC Commissioners and Staff through her service as a member of the Electricity Committee and the Committee on Consumer Affairs, and as President of the Organization of MISO States (2003-04), as President of the Mid-America Regulatory Commissioners (MARC) (2002-03), and as a current member of the Electric Power Research Institute Advisory Committee; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Wefald has been an incredible asset to NARUC and the North Dakota Commission, and a true friend to Commissioners, staff, consumer advocates, and utility representatives in dozens of States; *now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) at its 2008 Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana declares that the NARUC, ratepayers, and all utility sectors have benefitted greatly from the dedication and public service of Commissioner Wefald and extends to her its sincere thanks and gratitude for his many years of service.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity

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Adopted by the Committee of the Whole, November 19, 2008