Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Glen R. Thomas of Pennsylvania

WHEREAS, Glen R. Thomas has announced that he is resigning as a Public Utility Commissioner on February 18, 2005, after three-and-one-half years of distinguished service to the citizens of the United States and Pennsylvania; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Thomas was appointed to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission by then-Governor Tom Ridge in 2001 and served as the Chairman of the Commission from June 2001 to March 2003; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Thomas is the epitome of the involved and efficient NARUC commissioner during his three plus years of service rising to serve as the Chair of the National Association of Regulatory Commissioners' (NARUC) critical Washington Action Committee and as the President of MACRUC along with distinguished service on NARUC's Committee's on Telecommunications and International Relations; *and*

WHEREAS, Under Glen's leadership, the NARUC Washington Action Committee flourished with a series of impressive Washington Action Breakfast programs, the most recent featuring Charlie Cook, a nationally renown political commentator, and lists at each of the Winter Meeting Congressional speaker series a number of tutorials held on Capitol hill; enhanced membership in that committee; and has personally spent hours educating members of Congress and their staffs about key issues and the important role of State commissions; *and*

WHEREAS, Glen has been a leading voice for competition as a means to promote choice, to promote better prices and to promote innovation; *and*

WHEREAS, Glen has encouraged and facilitated regional efforts on issues and regional cooperation among commissions and their staffs; *and*

WHEREAS, Glen has continuously worked as a member of the NARUC team, encouraging others to do the same; *and*

WHEREAS, Glen did not wait until he joined the ranks of the private sector before enjoying private sector perks, taking his family to Disney world just weeks before the end of his first term to discuss regulatory policy with Goofy; *and*

WHEREAS, Glen has always conducted himself in a manner that distinguishes his service to NARUC, MACRUC, the regulatory community, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, and the citizens of Pennsylvania; *now therefore be it*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its February 2005 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., honors and offers its sincere thanks to Glen R. Thomas for his dedicated and distinguished service to Pennsylvania and to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the NARUC Board of Directors, NARUC Washington Action Committee, MACRUC and NARUC Telecommunications and International Relations Committees wish Glen R. Thomas success and happiness in his future endeavors, both professional and personal.

Sponsored by the Telecommunications Committee
Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors February 16, 2005