

***Resolution Honoring Commissioner Jeffrey Goltz***

**WHEREAS**, Governor Christine O. Gregoire appointed Jeffrey Goltz to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission in February 2009; *and*

**WHEREAS**, During six years as a member of the Commission, including four years as its chairman, Jeffrey Goltz earned a reputation as a national leader on energy issues, including transmission, distributed energy resources, and pipeline safety; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Goltz was dedicated to public utility regulation and showed his commitment through his leadership in NARUC as Vice Chair of the Committee on Electricity and through his membership on the Consumer Affairs Committee; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Goltz served with distinction as President of the Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners from 2013 to 2014 and successfully hosted its 2014 annual meeting in Seattle; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Goltz served on the State-Provincial Steering Committee, an advisory committee to the Western Electricity Coordinating Council on regional transmission issues; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Before joining the Commission in 2008, Commissioner Goltz served with distinction as Deputy Attorney General of the State of Washington, serving under both a Democrat and Republican, and personally litigated important issues of constitutional law before the Washington Supreme Court; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Goltz served for more than a decade as the Senior Assistant Attorney General and chief counsel to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, where he was involved in scores of utility rate cases, enforcement actions, rulemaking proceedings, and other matters; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Goltz graduated *cum laude* from Macalester College and earned his law degree from the University of Oregon; *and*

**WHEREAS**, His friends and colleagues at the Commission and in NARUC know him to be warm, kind, giving, and funny, and most of all, incredibly smart and insightful; *and*

**WHEREAS**, His friends and colleagues also know him to be an eternal optimist when it comes to the Seattle Mariners' chances of one day winning a pennant; *now, therefore be it*

**RESOLVED**, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 126th Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California, expresses its sincere appreciation to Commissioner Goltz for his years of dedicated public service and his leadership within NARUC; *and be it further*

**RESOLVED**, That the Board of Directors and all NARUC members convey their best wishes for Commissioner Goltz and his wife, Mary Welsh, in all of their future endeavors.

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*Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity*

*Recommended by the NARUC Board of Directors November 18, 2014*

*Adopted by the NARUC Committee of the Whole November 19, 2014*