

***Resolution Honoring Douglas R. M. Nazarian***

**WHEREAS**, Douglas R. M. Nazarian was appointed Chairman of the Maryland Public Service Commission by Governor Martin O'Malley on August 16, 2008; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Chairman Nazarian was well prepared to take on the crucial role of Chairman at the Maryland commission as he joined the Commission in 2007 as General Counsel after fifteen years as a litigator, the last twelve with Hogan & Hartson L.L.P., where he also served as partner in charge of the firm's Baltimore pro bono practice; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Chairman Nazarian earned a B.A., cum laude, from Yale College in 1988, a J.D. with honors from the Duke University School of Law in 1991, and clerked for The Hon. James B. Loken of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit; *and*

**WHEREAS**, In spite of himself, Chairman Nazarian quickly gained a national reputation on a range of issues and worked hard to promote the public interest, and protect the citizens of Maryland though his distinguished service on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, as President of the Eastern Interconnection States' Planning Council, and on the Board of Directors and Advisory Committee of the Organization of PJM States, Inc. ("OPSI"), and as OPSI President in 2009; *and*

**WHEREAS**, After an overwhelming and unprecedented outcry from the masses, Governor O'Malley decided that Maryland needed Chairman Nazarian's service more in the judiciary and, in December of 2012, appointed him a judge on the State's intermediate appellate court; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Chairman Nazarian's energy, intellect, humor, work ethic, his boyish grin and antics, and ability to look innocent while pursuing devilment, will be sorely missed by his colleagues on the NARUC Board of Directors and Executive Committee, *now therefore be it*

**RESOLVED**, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at their 2013 Winter Committee Meetings in Washington, D.C. extend their gratitude to Chairman Nazarian for his service to NARUC, Maryland and the citizens of the United States and their best wishes and congratulations to Judge Nazarian.

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*Sponsored by the Executive Committee*

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