Resolution Honoring Rick Morgan

WHEREAS, Commissioner Richard "Rick" Morgan served as a Commissioner of the District of Columbia Public Service Commission from 2003 to 2011; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan has served in a variety of regional and national leadership positions, including as founding chair of the NARUC Task Force on Climate Policy, and has been a member of NARUC's Board of Directors, the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, and the Smart Grid and Demand Response Collaborative; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan represented NARUC on the Climate Change Working Group of the International Confederation of Energy Regulators; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan served an important role in several regional efforts, including as chair of the Electricity Committee of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the steering committee of the Mid-Atlantic Distributed Resources Initiative, as well as Treasurer of the Organization of PJM States; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan spent twelve years at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, focusing on climate policy, emissions trading and established the E-GRID data system linking generation energy use and air emissions; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan grew up in Western Pennsylvania, attended school in Ohio, lives in the District of Columbia and will now spend much of his time on Vinalhaven Island, Maine, watching the wind turbines slowly rotate; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan is married to Arlene and the father of Scott and Julia; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan is an avid cyclist and long-time member of the Washington Area Bicyclist Association advocating improved cycling access to Rock Creek Park; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan is also an avid cross-country skier, known for his forays into the wilds of Rock Creek Park whenever there is enough snow, or almost enough snow, for cross country skiing; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan is also an avid canoeist and kayaker who loves to paddle Potomac, explore Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries and will now spend more time paddling among the beautiful Fox Islands in Penobscot Bay; *and*

WHEREAS, Although Commissioner Morgan has resided in the District for most of his life, he still roots for his hometown Pittsburgh Steelers, even when they play the Washington Redskins (although, to be fair, there has been no reason to root for the Redskins for the past 20 years); *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan is a practicing Quaker who has the patience of Job and is always looking to build consensus on issues and strives to always see the best in people; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan served as staff at the District of Columbia Public Service Commission for five years; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan served as an invaluable mentor for many commissioners and staff over the years of his public service; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morgan's vast experience regarding super-heated boiler stack emissions provided him the necessary background to effectively participate in discussions with NARUC colleagues; *now, therefore be it*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2012 Winter Committee Meetings in Washington, D.C., commends Commissioner Rick Morgan on his service to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and on all his efforts working in public service.

Sponsored by the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors February 8, 2012