

Resolution Honoring W. Robert Keating as Commissioner Emeritus

WHEREAS, Bob Keating has provided significant leadership of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), serving as a member of NARUC's Board of Directors, Chair of its Gas Committee, and Chair of the DOE/NARUC LNG Partnership; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating has a well-deserved national reputation for his dedicated service as a member of the National Petroleum Council, appointed by the Secretary of Energy, as well as for his service on the Advisory Committees of the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB), the Gas Technology Institute (GTI), and the Center for Public Utilities Studies at New Mexico State University; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating has served on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for the National Regulatory Research Institute (NRRI) where he also served as Chairman; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating served as a Commissioner to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities since its creation in 2007 under Energy and Environmental Secretary Ian Bowles and Governor Deval Patrick, and previously served as a Commissioner for the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy having been initially appointed in 1998 by Governor Argeo Paul Cellucci and reappointed in 2002 by Governor Jane Swift and again in 2005 by Governor Mitt Romney; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating previously provided consulting services on energy and environmental issues and strategic planning; and serving as Manager of Government Relations for Tenneco, Inc., a multi-conglomerate with businesses in natural gas pipelines, packaging, and shipbuilding and automotive for the New England Region; and serving as Senior Representative in Government/Public Affairs at Boston Edison Company; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating was Director of Energy Programs for the New England Governors Conference where he was responsible for the development of regional energy policy positions for the New England Region and where he also served as Manager of Environmental Programs in his initial years at the Conference; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating served as a Commissioned Officer in the U.S. Public Health Service in the Environmental Health Organization in the Rocky Mountain Region; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating holds a Masters degree in Civil/Environmental Engineering from the University of Maine at Orono and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst; *and*

WHEREAS, The consumers and public utilities across the United States and in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have benefited greatly from Bob Keating's immense dedication, hard work, knowledge, and expertise of the gas, electric, water, and telecommunications industries; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating is a cherished friend to a multitude of current and former NARUC members; *and*

WHEREAS, Bob Keating has been a devoted husband to his beloved wife Diane for over 41 years before her untimely passing; and he is a committed father to his children Lynn and Trevor, Michelle and Edward, Matthew and Bethany; and he most certainly is a doting grandfather to his dearest Nicole, Robbie, Lainey and Sophia; *now, therefore be it*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its 2009 Summer Committee Meetings in Seattle, Washington, hereby expresses its most sincere thanks to W. Robert Keating for his immense past service to the Association, the citizens of Massachusetts and the United States, his colleagues, and to the public interest; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, That NARUC and all of its members convey their best wishes to W. Robert Keating, Commissioner Emeritus, in all of his future endeavors and service.

Sponsored by the Committee on Gas

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors, July 22, 2009