Resolution Honoring Rebecca Armendariz Klein, Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas

WHEREAS, Chairman Rebecca Armendariz Klein was appointed on June 27, 2001 by Governor Rick Perry as a Commissioner of the Texas Public Utility Commission. On May 17, 2002 she was appointed Chairman of the Texas Public Utility Commission by Governor Perry; *and*

WHEREAS, Chairman Armendariz Klein announced her resignation from the Texas Public Utility Commission on January 13, 2004; *and*

WHEREAS, Chairman Armendariz Klein has filed to run for a congressional seat in Texas; and

WHEREAS, Chairman Armendariz Klein, whose motto is "Service before Self", has had a substantial career in public service. From 1999 to 2001, she served as a Policy Director for then-Governor George W. Bush, engaging in a variety of Statewide issues and projects in the areas of telecommunications, energy, technology and banking. Prior to working for George W. Bush she worked at the Public Utility Commission of Texas between 1997-1999 as a Senior Attorney in the Office of Policy Development; *and*

WHEREAS, Chairman Armendariz Klein is a Major in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. She was awarded the National Defense and Southwest Asia Service Ribbons for her service in Saudi Arabia during Desert Shield/Desert Storm. She is married to Dale Klein, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Programs; *and*

WHEREAS, Chairman Armendariz Klein has served the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) by working with the Electricity Committee, the Telecommunications Committee, the International Committee, the Clean Coal Technology working group, and by chairing the Triennial Review Implementation Process (TRIP) task force; and

WHEREAS, Her associates in NARUC, the industry, and the Texas PUC will miss her dedication to public service, her knowledge of both electric and telecommunications regulatory issues, and her pleasant demeanor; *now therefore be it*

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) convened in its March 2004 Winter Committee Meeting in Washington DC, extends to the Honorable Chairman Rebecca Armendariz Klein its sincere thanks and appreciation for her dedicated service to NARUC and the State of Texas; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, That the NARUC Board of Directors wishes Chairman Armendariz Klein the best of luck and continued success in her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors March 10, 2004