## Resolution Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program

**WHEREAS,** The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) has a longstanding commitment to the continuing education of regulatory Commissioners and the professional staff of the State and federal utility regulatory agencies; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, Education plays a vital role in informing regulators and improving the quality and effectiveness of regulation; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, The Annual Regulatory Studies Program was first provided to regulators in 1958; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1972 NARUC assigned responsibility for the program to Professor Harry Trebing at Michigan State University's Institute of Public Utilities; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, The Program came to be affectionately known as "Camp NARUC" because it is designed specifically and exclusively to meet the educational needs of public-sector regulatory professionals, particularly the members of NARUC; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, Professor Trebing directed the program with scholarly distinction until his retirement in 1990 and came to be known as the "Dean of Regulatory Education;" and

**WHEREAS**, The Institute of Public Utilities at Michigan State University continues to realize Professor Trebing's legacy and serve as the academic steward of this unique Program on behalf of the people who serve regulation; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, Thousands of new regulators from across the States and various countries of the world have attended the Program; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, Program graduates remember their "Camp" experience with fondness and pride, and recognize its enduring value to their professional careers; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, 2008 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program; *now*, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its Summer Meetings in Portland, Oregon, celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program and extends the Association's appreciation to the Institute of Public Utilities and Michigan State University for their stewardship of and dedication to the Program at this historic milestone.

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