WHEREAS, William M. Nugent served as a member of the Public Utilities Commission of Maine (MPUC) from October 1991 through June 2003; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent served on the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, the Committee on International Relations, the Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent is perhaps the longestserving President of NARUC in history, serving from June 2001 to November 2002; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent's tenure as President occurred at a time when the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission was initiating major changes in wholesale electricity markets; and

WHEREAS, Because of this, Commissioner Nugent's tenure as President of this organization occurred at an especially strained juncture in federal - state relations; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent's extraordinary ability to listen to many differing voices helped him to build bridges between people with widely differing views; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent's efforts to understand and resolve issues between the FERC, NARUC and the various State commissions allowed the bodies to work together

productively; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nugent represented NARUC and the State of Maine in testimony before the Federal Regulatory Energy Commission on matters pertaining to wholesale and retail electric market reformation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened in its July 2003 Summer Meetings in Denver, Colorado, extends its sincere appreciation and affection to Commissioner Nugent for his outstanding public service, and conveys to him its best wishes for all his future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors July 30, 2003