

### ***Resolution Honoring The Honorable Colette Honorable***

*Whereas* Commissioner Colette Honorable began her career in the energy sector in 2007 when then-Governor Mike Beebe appointed her to the Arkansas Public Service Commission;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable distinguished herself in this sector by serving as Chairman of the Arkansas Public Service Commission during a tumultuous period that included an economic recession and significant transition for the utility industries;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable quickly became active on National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (“NARUC”) committees, supporting NARUC’s work by serving as a Co-Vice Chair of the Committee on Gas, as member of the Committee on Consumer Affairs, Committee on Investment, and Subcommittee on Utility Marketplace Access, on the Smart Grid Collaborative, as the Chair of the Task Force on Pipeline Safety, and as the Chair of the Anybody Can Serve, So Let’s Conserve program;

*Whereas* as Co-Vice Chair of the Committee on Gas, Chair of the Task Force on Pipeline Safety, and member of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration’s Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee, Commissioner Honorable demonstrated her dedication to safety by working on behalf of consumers across the nation to improve standards and safe access to natural gas;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable’s influence in regulation was expanded by the fact that she was active in both the Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC) and Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (SEARUC) regional conferences, but understandably, only MARC won her heart, and her service as its President;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable began her ascension within NARUC’s leadership when she accepted the appointment as NARUC’s Treasurer in 2010, a post she managed for two years;

*Whereas* after working her way up the leadership ladder, Commissioner Honorable ascended the peak of NARUC when she was elected President of NARUC in November 2013;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable’s term as NARUC President was significant in its timing, marking the 125<sup>th</sup> year of NARUC, and by her focus on safety, reliability, resilience, and diversity;

*Whereas* President Barack Obama nominated Commissioner Honorable to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) in August 2014 and she was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate in December 2014 for a term that expired in June 2017;

*Whereas* even while a commissioner at FERC, Commissioner Honorable continued to be an active participant and resource at the NARUC meetings, lending her support and expertise on the issues on which she had worked tirelessly as a State Commissioner and a leader in the energy sector;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable's passion for energy policy extends beyond State and national borders, demonstrated, for example, by her experience as an Ambassador for the Clean Energy Education and Empowerment Initiative, an effort co-led by the U.S. Department of Energy and the MIT Energy Initiative, formed under the auspices of the International Clean Energy Ministerial;

*Whereas* while serving as a Commissioner in Arkansas, as well as at the FERC, Commissioner Honorable was a strong supporter of NARUC's relationships with our international counterparts and partners in energy regulation and she participated actively in meetings and conferences across the globe;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable has demonstrated that no task is too big for her as she once, as Treasurer, stepped in to change a tire for the association's Chief Financial Officer despite being impeccably and fashionably attired as usual;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable always has a kind word and an easy smile for her colleagues and staff, putting anyone in conversation with her immediately at ease;

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable has a fierce intellect and full command of the subjects she debates; nevertheless, she transforms any disagreement into pleasant conversation and she raises the civility of the discourse while not conceding her points; *and*

*Whereas* Commissioner Honorable was gifted with a beautiful voice, which she generously shares with her colleagues, friends, and community; *now, therefore be it*

*Resolved*, that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2017 Summer Policy Summit in San Diego, extends to the Honorable Colette Honorable its utmost appreciation and respect for her years of service to NARUC, the State of Arkansas, and the nation; *and be it further*

*Resolved*, that the Board of Directors wishes Commissioner Honorable and her family success and happiness in their future.

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*Sponsored by the Executive Committee*

*Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 19, 2017*