Resolution Honoring Commissioner Dave Harbour,  
NARUC Gas Committee Co-Vice Chairman; NARUC Official Representative to the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission; and  
Gas Committee Chairman, Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners

WHEREAS, Alaska’s Governor appointed Dave Harbour to a seat on the Regulatory Commission of Alaska in February 2003; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour served as his Commission’s Chairman through the 2003 Legislative Session wherein he steered a successful sunset renewal for the commission; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour’s first association with NARUC occurred in 1976 when, as Director of Public Affairs for the Arctic Gas Consortium, he wrote, advocated and in July 1976 witnessed adoption of NARUC’s first resolution encouraging the development of stranded Arctic gas reserves; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour wrote, advocated and in July 2003 witnessed adoption of NARUC’s “Resolution on Freeing Alaskan North Slope Stranded Gas Reserves; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour arranged at the 2004 Summer Meetings in Salt Lake City, Utah, for Alaska’s Governor to provide members with a keynote address regarding energy matters after over two decades of service as a United States Senator with time served as Energy and Natural Resources Committee Chairman; and

WHEREAS, NARUC President Stan Wise appointed Commissioner Harbour to serve as NARUC’s Official Representative to IOGCC in Fall of 2004; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour advocated in the Gas Committee for passage of an Electricity Committee “Resolution on Domestic Energy Production,” which NARUC then adopted on November 17, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour arranged in February 2005 for then-Commerce Committee Chairman, Senator Ted Stevens, to provide a keynote address to NARUC members, also in his capacity of Senate President Pro Tempore, on the subject of current telecommunications challenges; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour assisted in writing and advocating a NARUC Gas Committee sponsored “Resolution on Long-Term Contracting,” adopted November 15, 2005; assisted in organizing a study committee co-chaired by NARUC Gas Committee Chairman Don Mason and IOGCC Vice-Chairman John Norman; and assisted in his capacity as Official Representative to the IOGCC of achieving passage in that body of a similar resolution in the fall of 2007; and

WHEREAS, On November 18, 2005, in recognition of his service to Kentucky and the Nation, Governor Ernie Fletcher Commissioned Commissioner Harbour as a Kentucky Colonel of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and
WHEREAS, NARUC President James Kerr appointed Commissioner Harbour to serve as Co-Vice Chairman of the NARUC Gas Committee in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners unanimously supported Commissioner Harbour’s appointment as Chairman of the Western Conference Gas Committee in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour wrote, advocated and in July 2007 witnessed adoption of a resolution calling for “Developing Reliable Research Regarding the Social, Economic and Environmental Effects of Maintaining Domestic Energy Exploration and Production Moratoria on and Beneath Federal Lands” and in his capacity as Official Representative to the IOGCC arranged for passage of a similar resolution in the fall of 2007; and

WHEREAS, NARUC President James Kerr appointed Commissioner Harbour to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Study Group convened to execute the intent of the above recited resolution dealing with Domestic Energy Moratoria; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour’s term on the Regulatory Commission of Alaska is scheduled to conclude by March 2008, along with his official involvement in NARUC and the Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Harbour’s service to his State, NARUC, the Western Conference and the IOGCC have been distinguished by service to others and by a significant list of public interest accomplishments, herein noted; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners convened in its 2008 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., expresses its gratitude to Commissioner Dave Harbour and welcomes him to the ranks of NARUC Commissioners Emeritus.

Sponsored by the Committee on Gas
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