

Resolution Honoring Donald L. Mason, Esq., as Commissioner Emeritus

WHEREAS, Don Mason has served as a leader in National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), serving as Chair of its Gas Committee, and serving as a member of NARUC's Board of Directors, its Committee on Critical Infrastructure, its Natural Gas Task Force, its Liquefied Natural Gas Partnership, its Ad Hoc Committee on Electric Restructuring, its Clean-Coal Subcommittee Task Force and its Climate Policy Task Force; *and*

WHEREAS, Don Mason has taken an active interest in pipeline safety matters, including serving as a government representative and Chairman of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Subcommittee, and representing Ohio on the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission; *and*

WHEREAS, Don Mason has served two terms as a member of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, having been appointed by Governor George Voinovich in 1998 and reappointed by Governor Bob Taft in 2003; *and*

WHEREAS, the consumers and public utilities across the United States and in Ohio have benefited greatly from Don Mason's hard work, dedication, and expert knowledge of the gas, electric, water, telecommunications, and transportation industries; *and*

WHEREAS, Don Mason has achieved both a national and international reputation in leading Ohio's energy partnership exchange with the Government of Ghana, being appointed to the National Petroleum Council by then-Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham and reappointed by Secretary of Energy Samuel Bodman, and serving as Chairman of the Gas Technology Institute's Public Advisory Commission; *now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2008 Summer Meetings in Portland, Oregon, hereby expresses its sincere thanks to Donald L. Mason for his past service to the Association, the citizens of Ohio and the United States, his colleagues, and to the public interest; *and be it further*

WHEREAS, That NARUC and all of its members convey their best wishes to Donald L. Mason, Commissioner Emeritus, in all of his future endeavors and service.

Sponsored by the Committee on Gas

Adopted by the Board of Directors July 23, 2008