Resolution Supporting Legislation to Regulate
the Use of Automatic Dialing and Announcing Devices and Junk Fax

WHEREAS, Telemarketers are increasingly using automatic dialing and
announcing devices (ADADs) and facsimile machines to deliver unsolicited advertising; and

WHEREAS, Many people find such advertising to be a nuisance or an invasion of
privacy; and

WHEREAS, ADADs have jeopardized public safety by tying up emergency
telephone lines and by not disconnecting after the called party has hung up the
telephone; and

WHEREAS, Many States have imposed restrictions on the intrastate use of ADADs
and unsolicited advertising delivered by facsimile; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 2921, currently pending before the U.S. Congress, proposes the
"Telephone Advertising Regulation Act" and would prohibit both unsolicited calls made by
ADADs and unsolicited advertisements delivered by facsimile to any person whose
telephone number is listed with a national clearinghouse to be designated by the Federal
Communications Commission and would require all local exchange carriers to give their
customers the opportunity to be placed on this list according to FCC guidelines; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee of the National Association of
Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), assembled at its 1990 Winter Meeting in
Washington, D.C., urges the Congress to enact legislation to restrict the unsolicited
advertising use of ADADs or facsimile machines and that specific penalties be prescribed
for violations.

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