WHEREAS, For four years, as a member and also as Chairman of the Florida Public Service Commission, Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, Jr. has relentlessly and courageously pursued the public good and consumer interest; and

WHEREAS, Even before joining the Commission, Commissioner Jacobs achieved an impressive record of public service prior to his appointment serving as a staff attorney for the Florida House of Representatives Committees on Tourism and Economic Development, Insurance, and Financial Services in addition to being an attorney with the Florida Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Jacobs has served NARUC faithfully as a member and Chairman of the Consumer Affairs Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), a member of the Committee on Electricity, and Chairman of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; he also chaired the NARUC Ad Hoc Task Force on Y2K Readiness, chaired a NARUC working group whose mission was to address the burgeoning problems of confusing and misleading telephone bill practices; and he chaired the NARUC/Department of Energy Energy Market Access Partnership Board; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Jacobs has also served as a member of the Consumer Energy Council of America’s Distributed Energy Advisory Committee, and served as a
member of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council's Small Systems Implementation Working Group; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Jacobs has diligently sought regulatory actions to benefit the citizens of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, He has gained the respect of his colleagues because of his in-depth knowledge of regulatory issues, his sense of responsibility, his sense of accountability, and his sense of fairness; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Jacobs is known for his compassion and caring in his dealings with others; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened in its February 2002 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., expresses it sincere thanks to Commissioner Jacobs for his years of dedicated public services to the Association, the citizens of Florida and the United States, his colleagues, and to the public interest; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the NARUC and its members convey best wishes for Commissioner Jacobs in all of his future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Consumer Affairs Committee
Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors February 13, 2002