Resolution Honoring Commissioner Jeffrey Goltz

WHEREAS, Governor Christine O. Gregoire appointed Jeffrey Goltz to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission in February 2009; and

WHEREAS, During six years as a member of the Commission, including four years as its chairman, Jeffrey Goltz earned a reputation as a national leader on energy issues, including transmission, distributed energy resources, and pipeline safety; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Goltz was dedicated to public utility regulation and showed his commitment through his leadership in NARUC as Vice Chair of the Committee on Electricity and though his membership on the Consumer Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Goltz served with distinction as President of the Western Conference of Public Service Commissioners from 2013 to 2014 and successfully hosted its 2014 annual meeting in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Goltz served on the State-Provincial Steering Committee, an advisory committee to the Western Electricity Coordinating Council on regional transmission issues; and

WHEREAS, Before joining the Commission in 2008, Commissioner Goltz served with distinction as Deputy Attorney General of the State of Washington, serving under both a Democrat and Republican, and personally litigated important issues of constitutional law before the Washington Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Goltz served for more than a decade as the Senior Assistant Attorney General and chief counsel to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, where he was involved in scores of utility rate cases, enforcement actions, rulemaking proceedings, and other matters; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Goltz graduated *cum laude* from Macalester College and earned his law degree from the University of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, His friends and colleagues at the Commission and in NARUC know him to be warm, kind, giving, and funny, and most of all, incredibly smart and insightful; and

WHEREAS, His friends and colleagues also know him to be an eternal optimist when it comes to the Seattle Mariners’ chances of one day winning a pennant; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 126th Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California, expresses its sincere appreciation to Commissioner Goltz for his years of dedicated public service and his leadership within NARUC; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors and all NARUC members convey their best wishes for Commissioner Goltz and his wife, Mary Welsh, in all of their future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity
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