WHEREAS, Gaétan Caron began his public service at Canada’s national energy regulator, the National Energy Board (NEB), in 1979. Mr. Caron served the public interest for his entire career (35 years), starting at the NEB as a Pipeline Engineer, progressing to executive staff positions, appointed Member of the Board in 2003, Vice-Chair in 2005 and Chair/CEO in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Under Gaétan Caron’s tenure as Chair and CEO, the NEB has been recognized for excellence and has repeatedly been awarded one of Canada’s Top 100 Employers, Alberta’s Top Employers and Canada’s Top Family-Friendly Employers; and

WHEREAS, Gaétan Caron served with distinction on NARUC’s Gas Committee and as Co-Vice Chair on the Committee on International Relations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Caron, as former Chair of CAMPUT, Canada’s Energy and Utility Regulators’ association, and as a member of its Policy Committee, tirelessly promoted closer ties with NARUC to improve energy and utility regulation as well as international relations; and

WHEREAS, Gaétan Caron’s dedication, enthusiasm, leadership and professionalism at the NEB, where he focused on public engagement, public safety and protection of the environment, were qualities that were evident in his NARUC committee’s contributions; and

WHEREAS, Gaétan Caron is a member of the Québec Order of Engineers and of the Association of Professional Executives of the Public Service of Canada; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Caron obtained his Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Rural Engineering from Laval University in 1979 and his Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Ottawa in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Gaétan Caron has been actively engaged in the charitable work of the United Way, notably as Chair of the Federal Government Campaign and a member of its Board of Directors from 2002 to 2009, and as Chair of the Neighborhood Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, On a musical note, Mr. Caron donates his time and talent as lead guitarist of the NEB’s charity band, FedRock, playing for a multitude of fundraising events for organizations such as the United Way, Ovarian Cancer Canada, Multiple Sclerosis Society, and the Women’s Shelter. He intends to continue strumming and singing for charity; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at their 2014 Summer Committee Meetings in Dallas, Texas extend their sincere gratitude to Gaétan Caron for his years of service to NARUC and to the citizens of North America, and convey their best wishes to Mr. Caron in his future endeavors.

Passed by the Committee on Gas.
Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors July 16, 2014.