

Resolution Honoring Lisa Colosimo

WHEREAS, Lisa Colosimo joined the State of Ohio as an Investigator with the Office of the Consumers' Counsel in September 1979, and was promoted through a series of positions during her employment there; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa joined the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in September 1987 as a Public Utilities Administrator 3 and served in the Consumer Services Division for over 27 years; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa served on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Staff Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs in many leadership positions, including Chair; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa led the efforts of the State and National Action Plan, better known as "SNAP," bringing together the Federal Communications Commission and State public utility commission representatives to stand up for the consumers during the regulatory prime of the telecommunications industry; *and*

WHEREAS, Her departure from the staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio leaves the Consumer Affairs Staff Subcommittee with some big shoes to fill and an irreplaceable seat at the NARUC table; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa diligently worked to push consumer issues to the forefront of NARUC and focused national attention on the LIHEAP funding issue; *and*

WHEREAS, She was an integral member of the Lifeline Across America Working Group, helping raise awareness of this important social program so more Americans could remain connected to their friends, family, and life-saving emergency services; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa took her passion for consumer issues outside the PUCO and into the classroom by teaching courses at the Institute for Public Utilities' Regulatory Basics Course ("Camp NARUC") on consumer affairs, going above and beyond; *and*,

WHEREAS, Ever the optimist, Lisa always had a happy face, a playful giggle, and a sparkle in her eyes, even when her colleagues and Commissioners might be fretting; *and*

WHEREAS, She had a consumer-friendly heart, being sensitive and perceptive, and also patiently trained those around her to be very helpful, extremely courteous, resourceful, and knowledgeable; *and*

WHEREAS, Lisa was always fond of "recognizing," "conceptualizing," "engaging," "strategizing," and "energizing," but never "aggrandizing," which she could have easily done with her outstanding accomplishments in the area of consumer relations; *now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2013 Summer Meetings in Denver, Colorado, extends its sincere

appreciation to Lisa Colosimo for her outstanding public service and wishes her continued success in her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications
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