Resolution Honoring Louisiana Commissioner Jimmy Field

WHEREAS, After sixteen years of dedicated public service to the citizens of Louisiana and the United States, Commissioner Jimmy Field has retired from the Louisiana Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Field was appointed Commissioner of the Louisiana Public Service Commission in 1996 and reelected to a subsequent second term and third term, serving as Chairman of the Commission several times; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Field is one of the founding members of the Entergy-Regional State Committee and served as its Vice President in 2010. He also served on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Electricity Committee and the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. Commissioner Field helped to make Louisiana’s electricity rates among the lowest in the nation, and saved electric customers more that $2 billion in the form of refunds, rate reductions, and the use of securitization; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Field graduated from Louisiana State University with a Bachelor of Science and while attending school played on both the football team and the baseball team, helping to lead the Tigers to victory. In the 1963 Cotton Bowl against the Texas Longhorns, then 23-year old LSU quarterback Jimmy Field carried the Tigers to victory when he scored the game's only touchdown, a 22-yard run in the third quarter. Commissioner Field is indeed a legend in Louisiana and beyond; and

WHEREAS, He later attended Louisiana State University Law Center, and was admitted to the bar, specializing in real estate, public utility, commercial and labor/employment law; and

WHEREAS, NARUC will miss the true statesman that Jimmy Field is, his innate ability to shepherd through complex issues and seek compromise among diverse interests, his wisdom and steady leadership and integrity across the range of his NARUC activities; 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, extend their gratitude to Commissioner Field for his service to NARUC, Louisiana and the citizens of the United States and their best wishes to Mr. Field in his future endeavors.

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