Resolution Honoring Former FERC Commissioner Suedeen G. Kelly

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suedeen G. Kelly has been a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) since November 20, 2003; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Commissioner Kelly was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to a second term that would expire on June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Prior to joining FERC, Commissioner Kelly served as a Professor of Law at the University of New Mexico School of Law, where she taught energy law, public utility regulation, administrative law, and legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly served as the Chair of the New Mexico Public Service Commission, which regulated New Mexico’s electric, gas, and water utilities; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly’s public service career also included working in the New Mexico Office of the Attorney General and served as a legislative aide to U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly received her Bachelor of Arts – with Distinction – in Chemistry from the University of Rochester and her Juris Doctor – cum laude – from Cornell Law School; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly, along with NARUC Colleague Commissioner Fred Butler, initiated the creation of the FERC-NARUC Collaborative on Smart Grid and served as a Co-Chair from 2008-2009; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly played a central and substantial role in making the FERC-NARUC collaborative such a huge success and an important source of vital information about the smart grid for State and federal regulatory commissioners and staff; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kelly was as actively involved with the NARUC Committee on Electricity; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2010 Winter Committee Meetings in Washington, D.C., extends and expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to Suedeen Kelly and conveys its best wishes in all her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committees on Electricity and Gas
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