Resolution Honoring Swati Dandekar

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar was appointed to the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) by Governor Terry Branstad on September 16, 2011; and

WHEREAS, During her term at the IUB, Commissioner Dandekar served on NARUC’s Telecommunications Committee and NARUC’s Committee on International Relations; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar served on both the North American Numbering Council and the 706 Joint Conference; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar authored NARUC’s July 2012 Rural Call Termination Resolution urging the FCC to take further action to restore public safety, homeland security, and consumer welfare to rural America; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar also authored NARUC’s July 2013 Resolution to Improve the Lifeline Annual Recertification Process by urging the FCC to ensure that enrollment and recertification databases would be available before the end of 2013; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career in public service, Commissioner Dandekar has been a strong voice for appropriate regulation balancing fairness, job growth, and international relations; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar served in the Iowa General Assembly for eight years in both the House (2003-2009) and the Senate (2009-2011); and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar served as President of the National Foundation of Women Legislators from 2010-2011 and remains an active Board member; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar was named Person of the Year three times by organizations with international roots (India Abroad in 2002, The Asian Alliance of Iowa in 2003, and Asian Week in 2008); and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Dandekar has again answered the call to public service by announcing her candidacy to the U.S House of Representatives; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 125th Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida, extends its sincere thanks to Commissioner Dandekar for her years of dedicated public service to Iowa and NARUC and extends to her its best wishes for her future endeavors.

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