Resolution Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program

WHEREAS, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) has a longstanding commitment to the continuing education of regulatory Commissioners and the professional staff of the State and federal utility regulatory agencies; and

WHEREAS, Education plays a vital role in informing regulators and improving the quality and effectiveness of regulation; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Regulatory Studies Program was first provided to regulators in 1958; and

WHEREAS, In 1972 NARUC assigned responsibility for the program to Professor Harry Trebing at Michigan State University’s Institute of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, The Program came to be affectionately known as “Camp NARUC” because it is designed specifically and exclusively to meet the educational needs of public-sector regulatory professionals, particularly the members of NARUC; and

WHEREAS, Professor Trebing directed the program with scholarly distinction until his retirement in 1990 and came to be known as the “Dean of Regulatory Education;” and

WHEREAS, The Institute of Public Utilities at Michigan State University continues to realize Professor Trebing’s legacy and serve as the academic steward of this unique Program on behalf of the people who serve regulation; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of new regulators from across the States and various countries of the world have attended the Program; and

WHEREAS, Program graduates remember their “Camp” experience with fondness and pride, and recognize its enduring value to their professional careers; and

WHEREAS, 2008 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its Summer Meetings in Portland, Oregon, celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Annual Regulatory Studies Program and extends the Association’s appreciation to the Institute of Public Utilities and Michigan State University for their stewardship of and dedication to the Program at this historic milestone.

Sponsored by the Subcommittee on Education and Research
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