Resolution Commending the KMB Video Journal and Mike Beilis for his 20+ Years of Service to the Regulatory Community

WHEREAS, For 21 years Mike Beilis has been producing the KMB Video Journal - "The Worlds Only Video Journal on Telecommunications Policy and Practice"; and

WHEREAS, Since January 1984, Mike has been producing television programs by bringing together leaders from the FCC, States, Academia, and industry in an environment that eliminates virtually all distractions, promotes candor, and facilitates idea exchanges; and

WHEREAS, As former NARUC President Bob Rowe noted: “The KMB Video Journal provides a neutral forum for high-level policy discussion between State Commissioners, federal policymakers, and leading private sector and academic experts. Ideas have taken wing at KMB and flown into the national policy debate. The videotapes, prepared at each conference are an especially important tool as new issues quickly emerge. They were a vital part of my telecom basic training and are still essential to my continuing education"; and

WHEREAS, Cumulatively, since the inception of the Journal, Mike Beilis has, at his own expense, provided 15,000 video tapes to the chairpersons of fifty State commissions covering at least 600 perspectives on a wide range of emerging telecommunications issues; and

WHEREAS, Many of NARUC's member commissioners have benefited through their direct participation in the KMB Video Journal productions, finding the process a particularly useful way to dissect emerging issues, the selection of guests, the subject matter, the balanced method of presentation has clearly helped move the national debates forward; and

WHEREAS, All of NARUC's members have received the videos and have benefited from the timely overviews of the latest thinking on novel issues; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened in its November 2005 Annual Convention, hereby congratulates and thanks Mike Beilis and the KMB Video Journal for 20+ years of service to the regulatory community and sends NARUC's best wishes for the Journal's continued success.

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