WHEREAS, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Water and NARUC’s Staff Subcommittee on Water are saddened by the passing of John D. Williams III; and

WHEREAS, The Water Committee and it’s Staff Subcommittee of NARUC have benefitted from John’s expertise in utility ratemaking, specifically in the water and wastewater industry; and

WHEREAS, Born in Tallahassee, Florida, John’s life was one of exemplary public service; and

WHEREAS, After graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Florida, John embarked on a life of public service; and

WHEREAS, John began a long and distinguished career with the staff of the Florida Public Service Commission, during which he rose to leadership positions and became a point person on water and wastewater issues for Commissioners and the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, John greatly advanced the goals of the NARUC Water Committee, through his service and leadership as Chair of the Staff Subcommittee on Water; and

WHEREAS, John taught others the art of utility ratemaking by participating as faculty for NARUC’s Utility Rate School, and by doing so, helped to ensure that the school was a tremendously successful educational opportunity for utility professionals in all sectors; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, John retired from the Office of Strategic Analysis and Governmental Affairs for the Florida Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, John had more than 30 years of experience in utility rate regulation and was always available to assist and explain water and wastewater regulation to new staff; and

WHEREAS, John was instrumental in educating and effecting creative regulatory solutions, which benefitted utility customers long term; and

WHEREAS, Most recently, John served as the Director of Governmental Affairs for Utilities Inc., one of the largest privately-owned water and wastewater utilities in the country; and

WHEREAS, John was known as a superb colleague and a consummate gentleman, as well as a man of integrity, kindness, generosity, and good humor; and

WHEREAS, John should be recognized for his remarkable career and his dedicated service to NARUC that impacted so many members of the regulatory community; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 128th Annual Meeting in La Quinta, recognizes the many valuable contributions of John D. Williams III.

Sponsored by the Committee on Water