Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Talina Mathews

Whereas Talina Mathews served on the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("PSC") as a Commissioner from 2017 to 2021 and as Executive Director from 2016 until her appointment as Commissioner;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews also served as a policy advisor and staff economist at the PSC and as executive director of the Office of Energy Policy during her career in state government;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews's involvement with the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") included roles as: member of the NARUC Board of Directors; Co-Vice Chair of the Committee on Electricity; Former President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; representative of NARUC on the Electric Power Research Institute's Board of Directors; member of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners; member of the Committee on Critical Infrastructure; and member of the Clean Coal and Carbon Management Subcommittee;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews served as president, vice-president, and treasurer of the Organization of PJM States and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Organization of MISO States;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews served on the advisory council of the Center for Public Utilities at New Mexico State University and was a member of the advisory board of the Financial Research Institute at the University of Missouri;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews exemplified all aspects of being a dedicated public servant throughout her career, whether providing input into high-level legislative and regulatory matters or overseeing multi-million dollar energy programs;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews's commitment to helping improve the lives of the citizens of Kentucky has informed her decision-making throughout her career;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews is a trusted and respected expert on matters regarding energy policy, the nexus between federal and state electricity jurisdictions, emerging technologies, utility rate design, benefit-cost analysis, and more;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews has a reputation as someone who breaks down silos to improve effectiveness and accountability;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews appreciates efficiency, both in the workplace, and in economics;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews rarely participated in a (non-NARUC) meeting that she didn't think an email would have sufficed;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews is a dedicated mother to her son, Grant, and her daughter, Brenna;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews received her bachelor's degree in mathematics and economics from Berea College; and her master's degree and PhD in economics from the University of Kentucky;

Whereas Commissioner Mathews's fondness for Berea College is only matched by her indifference to sports; and

Whereas Commissioner Mathews' commitment to public service will be remembered at the Kentucky PSC, NARUC, and the numerous organizations in which she has served; now therefore he it

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, congratulates Commissioner Emeritus Talina Mathews on her tenure at the Public Service Commission of Kentucky, thanks her for her leadership and friendship, and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity
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