### HONORARY RESOLUTIONS

# Adopted by

## THE NARUC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### at the

## November 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference

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#### Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Kathryn Bailey

*Whereas* Kathryn Bailey served the citizens of the State of New Hampshire, as Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC"), from June 2015 through June 2021, with great distinction;

*Whereas* Commissioner Bailey also served diligently on the Board of Managers that directs the affairs of the New England States Committee on Electricity ("NESCOE"), an organization that represents the collective perspective of the six New England states in regional electricity matters including the operation and development of the ISO New England wholesale power markets and the associated regional transmission grid;

*Whereas* following Commissioner Bailey's appointment as a NESCOE Manager by the then current Governor of the State of New Hampshire to represent the interests of the state's citizens in regional electricity matters, she always took great care to meet that obligation in a way that maintained to the greatest extent possible the companionship and cooperation between NESCOE Managers;

*Whereas* among her many noteworthy achievements as New Hampshire's NESCOE Manager, Commissioner Bailey played a critical role in the development of NESCOE's 2020 *Vision Statement*, which expresses the New England States' shared vision for a decarbonized, affordable, and reliable 21<sup>st</sup> century regional electric power system, and also was involved extensively in the preparation of the subsequent NESCOE report to New England's Governors entitled *Advancing the Vision*;

*Whereas* Commissioner Bailey capably served as a state government representative of the Member Representative Committee of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation;

*Whereas* Commissioner Bailey asked detailed and thoughtful questions of witnesses from the bench during water, gas and electric proceedings in order that the matter be completely and thoroughly explored before rendering a decision;

*Whereas* Kathryn Bailey served the nation with distinction as a Communications Engineer in the United States Air Force from 1983 to 1987, achieving the rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant;

*Whereas* Commissioner Bailey has put her considerable expertise in engineering and energy regulation to work for New Hampshire's citizens, drawing on both her military and business experience;

*Whereas* throughout her time as Commissioner, Commissioner Bailey earned the utmost respect of her fellow Commissioners, the PUC staff working on both retail and wholesale matters, and many of the senior leaders of New Hampshire's utility companies; and,

*Whereas* Commissioner Bailey was an active member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, sitting on the Committee on Electricity; *now therefore be it* 

*Resolved,* that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, congratulates Commissioner Bailey on her successful tenure at the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Passed the Committee on Electricity Adopted by the Board of Directors November 9, 2021

#### Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Julie I. Brown

*Whereas* Julie I. Brown served the citizens of the State of Florida as Commissioner of the Florida Public Service Commission since January 2, 2011, with great distinction; and served as Chair of the Florida Public Service Commission, from January 2016 to January 2018;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown has put her extensive expertise to work for Floridians, drawing on her years of experience in law, utility regulation and public policy;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown led the Commission's review and recommendations of Florida's electric utility storm-hardening actions after the catastrophic 2017 hurricane season, helping to minimize future storm impacts;

*Whereas* Commission Brown was elected in 2015 to serve on the Executive Committee of the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition to help lead its membership efforts throughout the country, and served as Chair of the Gas Technology Institute's Public Interest Advisory Committee in 2018;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown was an active member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners sitting on the Committee on Gas, Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues–Waste Disposal, the Presidential Task Force on Emergency Preparedness, Recovery and Resiliency, and the Presidential Natural Gas Access and Expansion Task Force;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown was passionate about sharing her insight and expertise in disaster preparedness and utility reliability, including service on the Southern States Energy Board Blue Ribbon Task Force, a partnership project with the U.S. Department of Energy, to help strategize an electric energy policy and regulatory framework in Puerto Rico;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown was an advocate for safety, reliability, resilience, affordability and environmental performance in the nation's natural gas infrastructure, and she served on the Natural Gas Infrastructure Modernization Partnership between the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the U.S. Department of Energy;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown Served on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown was appointed to serve on the Florida Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission to ensure the statewide observance of the 2020 centennial of women's suffrage;

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown has demonstrated the utmost respect for her colleagues on the Commission, the staff of the Commission, and the utility ratepayers of Florida, showing wisdom and foresight in her leadership; and

*Whereas* Commissioner Brown has been appointed by the Governor of Florida to the office of Secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulations, charged with the duty of efficiently licensing and fairly regulating businesses and professionals in the State of Florida; *now therefore be it* 

*Resolved* that the Board of Directors of the Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, congratulates Commissioner Brown on her successful and distinguished tenure at the Florida Public Service Commission as demonstrated by her dedication and commitment to the mission of the Commission to facilitate the efficient provision of safe and reliable utility services at fair prices, and the Board expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Gas Adopted by the Board of Directors November 9, 2021

#### Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Marion S. Gold

*Whereas* Marion S. Gold was appointed to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission in July 2016 and served honorably and with distinction for five years;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold's involvement with the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") included roles as: member of the Committees on Electricity; and member of the New England Conference of Public Utilities Commissioners;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold served as Chairwoman, Vice Chairwoman, and Treasurer of the National Research Regulatory Institute ("NRRI") Board of Directors from 2017 to 2021 during which time, she was an ardent supporter of NRRI and worked tirelessly to promote its mission;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold has served on the Board of Directors for the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnership, and as a Senior Advisor to the National Association of State Energy Officials since 2021;

*Whereas* prior to serving as a Commissioner for the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, Commissioner Gold served as the Commissioner of the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources from August 2012 to June 2016; as the Executive Director of the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council from 2012 to 2016; and the Director of the University of Rhode Island Outreach and Energy Center from 2004 to 2012;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold served as an ex officio member of the Rhode Island Distributed Generation Board from 2012 to 2016;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold served as Agency Head, Member of the Executive Committee and Treasurer of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative from 2012 to 2021;

Whereas Commissioner Gold served on the Board of Advisors for GridLab from 2017 to 2021;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold has received a number of awards for her work on energy issues in Rhode Island and New England, including the New England Women in Energy and the Environment Achievement Award; the University of Rhode Island Excellence in Outreach Award; and as a NECEC Clean Energy Champion;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold was awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Natural Resources Science and Policy from the University of Michigan; a Master of Environmental Economics from Michigan State University; and a Doctor of Environmental Sciences from the University of Rhode Island;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold authored a number of articles and reports, including a biweekly column titled "Energy Source" on energy issues in the Providence Journal; Baseline Energy Reports for a number of cities in the state of Rhode Island; and co-authored "Building Capacity for Non-Utility Scale Renewable Energy in Rhode Island" a report submitted to the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council;

Whereas, over the course of her career, Commissioner Gold has participated in and developed an expertise in a number of energy projects with various state agencies on renewable energy siting,

clean energy and climate change; and has participated in and attended numerous regulatory conferences and trainings;

*Whereas* Commissioner Gold has been dedicated to, and recognized for her focus on, energy issues in New England, a tireless supporter of and advocate for NARUC, and has gone above and beyond in furthering its mission; *now, therefore be it* 

*Resolved,* that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, extends its gratitude to Commissioner Emeritus Marion S. Gold for her work on energy issues and dedication to NARUC and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity Adopted by the Board of Directors November 9, 2021

#### 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 be 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.

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#### Honorary Resolution for Commissioner David W. Sweet

*Whereas* David W. Sweet served on the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC") as a Commissioner from 2015 to 2021, and Vice Chairman from 2018 to 2021;

*Whereas* Commissioner Sweet's involvement with the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") included roles as member of the Telecommunications, Water and Electricity Committees, as well as the Presidential Task Force on Military Workforce Development;

*Whereas* Commissioner Sweet was first elected to represent the 48th legislative district in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in 1976. During his legislative career, he served as chair of the House Local Government Committee from 1987 to 1988, shepherding to enactment bills on local tax reform, distressed municipalities, and land use and zoning regulations, among others, and earning awards from the Pennsylvania League of Cities, the Commission on Crime and Delinquency, the Economic Development Association and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission;

*Whereas* Commissioner Sweet has shown exceptional dedication to service to the public in both his public and private capacities;

*Whereas* Commissioner Sweet began his private legal career in Pennsylvania with the law firm of Pepper Hamilton LLP and was a member of Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney until returning to public service under current Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf;

*Whereas* Commissioner Sweet received his bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania where he also served on the Board of Trustees from 1994 to 2007; his master's degree from the University of Chicago; and his Juris Doctorate from the Dickinson School of Law;

Whereas Commissioner Sweet is a dedicated father to his children, Natalie and Andrew, and grandfather to Julia and Owen, as well as an active civic leader in his community;

Whereas Commissioner Sweet's commitment to public service will be remembered at the Pennsylvania PUC, NARUC, and the numerous organizations in which he has served; now therefore be it

*Resolved* that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, congratulates Vice Commissioner David W. Sweet on his tenure at the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and expresses its best wishes for his future endeavors.

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#### Resolution Honoring Commissioner Sadzi M. Oliva of Illinois

*Whereas* Sadzi M. Oliva was appointed Commissioner to the Illinois Commerce Commission by Governor Bruce Rauner on January 17, 2017, becoming the first Latina to serve as a commissioner in the agency's nearly 150-year history;

*Whereas* in October of 2018 Commissioner Oliva participated in a partnership exchange with the Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission on stakeholder engagement and public communications in Jakarta, Indonesia;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva contributed numerous published articles, including one in Utility Dive in October 2018 titled "Alternative retail electric suppliers: A surge in consumer protection standards in Illinois;"

*Whereas* in January 2019, Commissioner Oliva was appointed as and served as Chair of the Subcommittee on Supplier and Workforce Diversity;

Whereas Commissioner Oliva also previously served on NARUC's Committee on Critical Infrastructure and Committee on Water;

*Whereas* at the 2019 NARUC Summer Meeting, Commissioner Oliva sponsored a resolution that passed unanimously entitled "Encouraging the Inclusion of Minority-Serving Institutions in the Development of Long-Term Strategic Partnerships to Address Pending Retirements of Utility;"

*Whereas* in November 2020, Commissioner Oliva became Chair of the newly created Select Committee on Regulatory and Industry Diversity, where she championed a resolution that encouraged utilities to recruit from minority serving institutions, engage diverse professional services firms, and review their business processes to reduce barriers to entry for diverse small business vendors;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva served tirelessly on several key board positions and councils, including on the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Advisory Council, the Financial Research Institute (FRI) Advisory Board; the National Utilities Diversity Council (NUDC) Board of Directors;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva served as Treasurer of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC) and then Vice President of MARC;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva served as the Illinois representative on the Organization of Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) States (OMS) Board of Directors from 2018 through 2020;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva's further impact as a leader in the energy industry includes international work participating in a peer review with other Central American regulators in June of 2018 on renewable energy integration and smart grids in Panama sponsored by the Power Sector Program, Bureau of Energy Resources, U.S. Department of State, and organized by NARUC;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva has a storied history of public service, previously serving as General Counsel, Ethics Officer, Administrative Law Judge, and Chief of Medical Prosecutions for the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR), as Chief Administrative Law Judge with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, and as Assistant Attorney General at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, Special Prosecutions Bureau;

*Whereas* further, Commissioner Oliva previously served as Chair of the Illinois Governor's Office of Administrative Hearing's Review Committee that organized and presented the Chicago Bar Association's Annual Administrative Law Conference in continuing legal education seminars related to administrative hearings;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva previously served as Co-Chair of the Rules Subcommittee for the Department of Central Management Systems Bureau of Administrative Hearings pilot program and helped draft the model rules of practice in administrative hearings;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva continuously demonstrates her commitment to civic engagement as an active member of the Cuban American Chamber of Commerce in Illinois and has volunteered for the Chicago Coalition for Law-Related Education, Lawyers in the Classroom, and as a mentor for the International Confederation of Energy Regulators mentoring program;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva is a first generation Cuban American and was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. She earned her Juris Doctorate from Loyola University School of Law, her Bachelor of Arts from DePaul University, and is a graduate of the Academy of the Sacred Heart;

*Whereas* Commissioner Oliva will always be remembered not only for her trailblazing work in the energy and utility regulatory industry but also for her astounding talent at karaoke; *now, therefore be it* 

*Resolved* that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, sends their best wishes for her future endeavors.

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