

***Resolution Supporting the Broadband Deployment Data Base Project of the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Services***

**WHEREAS**, The Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") established the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Telecommunications Services (CC Docket No. 99-294) on October 8, 1999, under Section 410(b) of the Act; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") and FCC cooperatively and expeditiously embarked on the mission to address the complexities of promoting deployment of advanced telecommunications capabilities as a joint federal and State responsibility; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Much hard work and dedication was required of the hosts and participants to plan and run the six Joint Conference field hearings and their numerous attendant site visits and tours: Washington, D.C., Western Regional Field Hearing, Midwest Regional Field Hearing, Northeast Regional Field Hearing, Gulf States and Southeast Regional Field Hearing, and Mountain West Regional Field Hearing; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The field hearings achieved their objective of establishing a strategic dialog to identify obstacles and innovative solutions to promotion of universal access to advanced telecommunications capabilities in inner-city urban, rural, frontier, remote, and tribal and other culturally diverse areas; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The Joint Conference has also established a survey and searchable database called "the Community Broadband Deployment Database" to collect additional accounts of community projects to expedite advanced services deployment at [www.nrri.ohio-state.edu/broadbandsurvey.php](http://www.nrri.ohio-state.edu/broadbandsurvey.php), and [www.nrri.ohio-state.edu/broadbandquery.php](http://www.nrri.ohio-state.edu/broadbandquery.php); *and*

**WHEREAS**, The Community Broadband Deployment Database is a national resource for communities and groups of communities planning to deploy advanced services and for policy makers and government officials trying to better understand the needs of their communities for advanced telecommunications services and the obstacles they must overcome to meet those needs; *now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED**, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC"), convened in its 2000 Summer Meetings in Los Angeles, California, expresses its appreciation to the members and staff of the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Services and all the hosts and participants in the field hearings for their hard work and dedication in the field hearings and database development; *and be it further*

**RESOLVED**, That NARUC urges all its members to encourage providers, communities and interested organizations in their jurisdictions to complete the broadband deployment survey and search the Community Broadband Deployment Database developed by the Joint Conference by posting a link on their State web page or issuing a press release; *and be it further*

**RESOLVED**, That NARUC encourages all of its member States that have surveyed the deployment of advanced services to forward the results of their survey to the Federal-State Joint Conference by November 1, 2000.

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*Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications*  
*Adopted by the Board of Directors, July 26, 2000*