

**Resolution Supporting Legislation to Regulate
the Use of Automatic Dialing and Announcing Devices and Junk Fax**

WHEREAS, *Telemarketers are increasingly using automatic dialing and announcing devices (ADADs) and facsimile machines to deliver unsolicited advertising; and*

WHEREAS, *Many people find such advertising to be a nuisance or an invasion of privacy; and*

WHEREAS, *ADADs have jeopardized public safety by tying up emergency telephone lines and by not disconnecting after the called party has hung up the telephone; and*

WHEREAS, *Many States have imposed restrictions on the intrastate use of ADADs and unsolicited advertising delivered by facsimile; and*

WHEREAS, *H.R. 2921, currently pending before the U.S. Congress, proposes the "Telephone Advertising Regulation Act" and would prohibit both unsolicited calls made by ADADs and unsolicited advertisements delivered by facsimile to any person whose telephone number is listed with a national clearinghouse to be designated by the Federal Communications Commission and would require all local exchange carriers to give their customers the opportunity to be placed on this list according to FCC guidelines; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *That the Executive Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), assembled at its 1990 Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C., urges the Congress to enact legislation to restrict the unsolicited advertising use of ADADs or facsimile machines and that specific penalties be prescribed for violations.*

*Sponsored by the Committee on Communications
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