

Resolution Honoring Susan Parker

WHEREAS, Before beginning her distinguished career as an Alabama Public Service Commissioner in 2006, NARUC 2nd Vice President, Commissioner Susan Parker whetted her political acumen and collected her public interest bona fides by being elected State Auditor in 1998 and becoming the first woman ever in Alabama nominated for the U.S. Senate; *and*

WHEREAS, Prior to 1998, Commissioner Parker completed a 25-year career in public education starting at the age of 16 working at the Calhoun Community College as a file clerk and rising through the ranks to becoming Associate Dean, while completing FOUR college degrees – an associates, bachelors, masters, and Ph.D. – all with honors – by attending night-classes while working full-time during the day; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Parker’s reputation, work ethic, and political savvy, combined with her charming personality, catapulted her in only three years to election by her peers as the President of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (SEARUC); *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Parker was just as industrious in NARUC serving on the Committees on Electricity, Energy Resources and the Environment, and Subcommittee on Education and Research before her appointment to the NARUC Executive Committee and the NARUC Board of Directors in July 28, 2008; *and*

WHEREAS, Her colleagues at the Alabama Commission, on the NARUC Board of Directors and the NARUC Executive Committee, will miss her energy, passion, and service to the people of the State of Alabama, SEARUC and NARUC; *now, therefore be it*

RESOLVED, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2010 Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, expresses its sincere appreciation to Commissioner Parker for her years of dedicated public service and her leadership within NARUC; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, That all NARUC members convey their best wishes for Commissioner Parker in all of her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Executive Committee

Recommended by the NARUC Board of Directors November 15, 2010

Adopted by the NARUC Committee of the Whole November 17, 2010