

***Honorary Resolution for Cary Hinton of
The District of Columbia Public Service Commission***

Whereas Cary Hinton has now retired following a distinguished and dedicated career as advisor to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commission's (NARUC) Committee on Telecommunications in multiple capacities on multiple issues and resolutions throughout the years;

Whereas Cary Hinton has also retired from the District of Columbia Public Service Commission (DC PSC) after serving professionally and with distinction in service to the former Chairman of the District of Columbia Service Commission (DC PSC) Betty Ann Kane and as the Director of the Office of External Affairs during his tenure at the DC PSC;

Whereas Cary Hinton has undertaken many duties in the telecommunications ecosphere as regulatory lobbyist, policy analyst, commissioner's advisor, and NARUC Telecommunications Committee member throughout his remarkable career;

Whereas Cary Hinton is a renowned expert on the wording and punctuation needed to be addressed on any NARUC Resolution concerning telecommunications throughout the years;

Whereas Cary Hinton could be counted to inform the attendees at all NARUC meetings about every issue under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), usually accompanied by a trenchant observation of what that meant to the states;

Whereas Cary Hinton remains a renowned expert on the best restaurants for dining and discussing NARUC issues in each and every location where NARUC has had its Winter, Summer, and Annual meetings throughout the years;

Whereas Cary Hinton is a recognized expert on the location of every microbrewery and the composition, quality, and price of any and every product available in any microbrewery in any location where NARUC had its Winter, Summer, and Annual meetings throughout the years;

Whereas Cary Hinton developed a policy and process expertise on the ways and means by which many state commissions support their public utility regulatory efforts, including the DC PSC;

Whereas Cary Hinton would regularly and often inform the Telecommunication Staff Committee that, because the District of Columbia was not a State, Commonwealth, or Territory and lacked any voting authority in Congress, every Resolutions must include the word District;

Whereas Cary Hinton could be counted on to submit multiple resolutions on all things telecommunications and broadband for consideration by the Telecommunications Staff Subcommittee;

Whereas Cary Hinton has developed an incredible music collection with a vast range of interests and an uncanny ability to know which band was playing where and when at any location where NARUC has had its Winter, Summer, and Annual meetings throughout the years;

Whereas Cary Hinton could be counted on to share his knowledge of restaurants, microbreweries, music venues, and resolution edits with any and all members of the NARUC Telecommunications Staff Committee.

Whereas Cary Hinton has benefitted from the assistance and insight provided by his wife, Mary, on many telecommunications and broadband issues, particularly those impacting smaller and rural carriers;

Whereas having earned his Bachelor of Arts in Urban Affairs from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and his Master of Science in Resource Policy and Management from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor;

Whereas Cary Hinton has served the DC PSC and NARUC with high intelligence, honor, and integrity, *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2023 Winter Policy Summit in Washington, DC, recognizes, commends, and thanks Cary Hinton for his fearless, exhaustive, and principled efforts to protect the public interest in general, and the District in particular, during his long career, particularly his spirited defense of the interests of the District in all things telecommunications, and extends its respect and best wishes to him and his wife Mary.

Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications

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