Resolution Honoring Wendy “I Think I Can Help” Moser

Whereas Commissioner Wendy M. Moser was born and raised in South Hand County, South Dakota; graduated from South Dakota State University with a Bachelor of Science degree with Honors with a double major in mathematics and political science and a minor in computer science; and received a Juris Doctor from the University of Denver’s Sturm College of Law;

Whereas Commissioner Moser began her career at the Sherman & Howard law firm in Denver, Colorado as a Law Clerk and then as an Associate, practicing civil litigation in state and federal court, with an emphasis on general commercial, construction, insurance defense and banking law through 1993;

Whereas Commissioner Moser joined Qwest Communications and is predecessor US West in 1993, where serving as a Senior Attorney, Corporate Counsel, Associate General Counsel and Vice President of Public Policy, she represented the company before the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) and negotiated the first national mediated interconnection agreement for offering unbundled network elements;

Whereas Commissioner Moser opened her own private law practice in 2008 and assisted clients with legal and regulatory issues in the telecommunications and energy industries;

Whereas Commissioner Moser joined Black Hills Corporation in 2011, serving in the roles of Sr. Corporate Counsel, Vice President of Electric Regulatory Services and Sr. Corp. Counsel, and Vice President of Regulatory Services, responsible for regulatory revenue for both gas and electric regulatory utility groups until 2014;

Whereas Commissioner Moser joined Charter Communications in 2015 as Senior Manager, Government Relations, as the lead negotiator franchise agreements and managing political relationships in Colorado, Montana, and Wyoming;

Whereas Commissioner Moser was appointed by Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper in early 2017 and confirmed by the Colorado Senate as a Commissioner on the Colorado Public Utility Commission;

Whereas Commissioner Moser served for 2 years as a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (“NARUC”), including as a member of the Committee on Telecommunications and as a member of the Committee on Critical Infrastructure;

Whereas Commissioner Moser has been known as the upbeat, “I think I can help” Commissioner who was willing to take on, as a member of the NARUC Committee on Telecommunications, any assignment Chair Paul Kjellander asked, including sponsoring multiple resolutions, moderating panels guaranteed to elicit Committee debate, and even going so far as to have staff wear referee jerseys so that we didn’t take our subject matter (or ourselves) too seriously;

Whereas Commissioner Moser served as a member of the Federal-State Joint Board on Jurisdictional Separations for two years and brokered compromises none thought possible;

Whereas Commissioner Moser was a NARUC representative to the FCC’s Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee Disaster Response and Recovery Working Group, and was named chair of the Government Process and Procedures Subgroup;
Whereas Commissioner Moser through her outstanding leadership and advocacy has made numerous and immeasurable positive contributions in the best interests of utility service consumers in Colorado and nationally; now therefore be it

Resolved that the Board of Directors of National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (“NARUC”), convened at its 2019 Winter Policy Summit in Washington, D.C., expresses its appreciation to Commissioner Wendy M. Moser for her tireless service to NARUC, other state commissions and organizations, the State of Colorado, and America's utility service consumers.

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