Honorary Resolution for Bill Edge

Whereas Bill Edge completed his tenure on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") Staff Subcommittee on Consumers and the Public Interest ("CPI") in 2019;

Whereas Bill showed superior leadership and exceptional organizational skills during his subcommittee service and was an invaluable resource to its members at NARUC meetings and throughout the year;

Whereas Bill was a staunch supporter of the CPI Subcommittee and added to educational opportunities for his colleagues to enrich their understanding of the issues facing utility commissions;

Whereas Bill traveled to Indonesia with NARUC's International Programs to help an underserved country by sharing his extensive expertise in media and regulatory relations;

Whereas Bill's inquisitiveness often helps shed light on complex issues through the hard questions he is unafraid to ask;

Whereas Bill worked with the Georgia Public Service Commission as Public Information Officer and Legislative Liaison from 2000 to 2019 helping both the media and the Georgia legislators to understand the complex matters facing the Commission;

Whereas Bill faced difficult questions in media interviews, but he mastered the techniques of giving clear answers, restructuring questions, and deflecting off-target questions, always ensuring "the message" was delivered effectively;

Whereas Bill began his pursuit of academic excellence by earning a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Georgia before working nearly twenty years in radio and television broadcasting covering legislative and regulatory stories;

Whereas Bill served with distinction for over twenty years in the Naval Reserves with tours in Bahrain (2002), Iraq (2005), and Afghanistan (2012) and recently retired with the rank of Captain;

Whereas Bill used his many skills and talents to best serve the public interest; and after fielding thousands of reporter calls, he has earned the right to retire his personal cell number and email;

Whereas Bill only vacations 3 times per year, when he attends NARUC, and has never had to buy a meal there;

Whereas Bill has been married to his bride for 36 years, a milestone in today's world; now therefore be it Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2019 Winter Policy Summit in Washington, D.C. extends its congratulations and thanks to Bill Edge for his service to the national regulatory community.

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