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Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Mark Curtis Christie

Whereas Chairman Mark C. Christie served on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) as Commissioner from January 4, 2021, through January 20, 2025, and since January 20, 2025, as Chairman of FERC;

Whereas Mark C. Christie was elected by the Virginia General Assembly to serve on the State Corporation Commission in 2004 and was re-elected twice, serving in that capacity for nearly 17 years;

Whereas during his tenure on the Virginia Commission, Chairman Christie provided strong leadership within the regional and national regulatory community, including serving as President of the Organization of PJM States, Inc. (OPSI) and contributing over a decade of service on the OPSI governing board;

Whereas Chairman Christie was an active and engaged member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), serving on the Committee on Electricity and as President of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (MACRUC), NARUC's regional affiliate;

Whereas Chairman Christie taught regulatory law for a decade as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Virginia School of Law and constitutional law and government for 20 years in a doctoral program at Virginia Commonwealth University;

Whereas Chairman Christie's commitment to education extended globally, as he taught constitutional law through the Fulbright Program and other initiatives at Heidelberg University in Germany, China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing, as well as universities in Trento, Italy, and Lucerne, Switzerland;

Whereas Chairman Christie served as an officer in the United States Marine Corps - Semper Paratus;

Whereas Chairman Christie is widely respected for his dedication to public service, marked by his intellectual rigor, pragmatism, dry wit, consumer focus, and commitment to open and fair deliberation;

Whereas during the many NARUC meetings he attended, Chairman Christie had an innate ability to discover unique restaurants to the delight of those able to attend with him and was more than willing to discuss one of his favorite subjects— history, with fellow history buffs; *and*

Whereas after 21 years of exemplary public service, Chairman Christie will be leaving FERC this year and will be remembered for his straight talk and sense of humor; *now, therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, and Mark's colleagues and friends congratulate Chairman Mark C. Christie on his tenure at FERC and at the Virginia State Corporation Commission, thank him for his leadership and friendship, and express their best wishes for him in all his future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity on July 29, 2025

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025

Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Kim Duffley

Whereas Kim Duffley served on the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) as a Commissioner from 2019 through 2025;

Whereas Commissioner Emeritus Duffley previously served as a senior staff attorney to NCUC from 2011 to 2019 and as assistant attorney general in the environmental division of the North Carolina Attorney General's Office from 1999 to 2011;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley led the NARUC Electricity Committee as chair from 2023 to 2025;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley represented the southeastern region on the Joint Federal-State Task Force on Electric Transmission and then served as co-chair of the Task Force in its final year;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley was instrumental in the creation of the Federal-State Current Issues Collaborative and served as co-chair in its inaugural year;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley served as an engaged member of the Nuclear Energy Partnership and the Advanced Nuclear State Collaborative;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley demonstrated a commitment to education and collaboration by serving as chair of the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on Electricity while still a staff attorney at NCUC;

Whereas after her time as staff subcommittee chair, Commissioner Duffley masterfully perfected the art of convincing NCUC staff to serve on national and regional subcommittees — broadening their horizons, deepening North Carolina's regulatory reach, and ensuring no good deed (or skill set) went unassigned;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley served as the NCUC representative on the Organization of PJM States, Inc. (OPSI) from 2024 to 2025, helping to bring state issues to the fore and protect North Carolina ratepayers in the PJM region;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley currently serves as an advisory board member of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Kenan-Flagler Energy Center;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley earned an undergraduate degree in Philosophy and Political Science from UNC-Chapel Hill, and Juris Doctor from Mercer University;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley's unfailingly warm and collegial manner belies her full mastery of the law and facts;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley will be remembered for her ability to completely and thoroughly dismantle an argument with a warm and friendly smile;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley's impeccable attention to detail never let slip an erroneous citation;

Whereas Commissioner Duffley's deep understanding of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) significantly strengthened North Carolina's engagement and effectiveness in federal energy matters; *and*

Whereas Commissioner Duffley will be remembered at NCUC, NARUC, and the numerous organizations in which she has served for her commitment to public service, her humility, and her leadership, as well as her curiosity and limitless depth of knowledge on all issues related to transmission; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, congratulates Commissioner Emeritus Kim Duffley on her tenure at the North Carolina Utilities Commission, thanks her for her leadership and friendship, and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity on July 29, 2025.

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025.

Resolution Honoring Commissioner James (Jim) F. Ellison

Whereas Jim Ellison was appointed to the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham in 2022 and served as Commissioner for a two-year term;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison worked for Sandia National Laboratories, where in his role as a Principal Grid Analyst in the Grid Modernization Group, he conducted studies on solar and wind forecast errors, evaluated the regulating reserves needed to address these errors on the PNM system, and analyzed the potential impacts of climate change on PNM's renewable generation;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison, as a Principal Member of the Technical Staff in Sandia's Energy Storage and Transmission Analysis Group, introduced a state-of-the-art power system production cost model that enabled more advanced grid studies and assessments on energy storage and renewable integration, such as studies on energy storage valuation for Maui and Oahu to help Hawaiian Electric reduce wind power curtailment;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison holds a Bachelor's degree from Clemson University, two Master's degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Master's degree from Stanford University;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison founded the firm Cimarron Power LLC and as Managing Director focused on LNG regasification terminal development and assembled a network of professionals to assist with all aspects of project development;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison served the state of New Mexico well with his tough and thoughtful questioning of the entities that appeared before him on numerous cases;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison fought for and represented the perspective of ratepayers overall during his tenure as a commissioner;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison represented New Mexico on the regional committee advising the Western Resource Adequacy Program;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison is a fixture at NARUC's Natural Gas Committee and Natural Gas Task Force meetings, respected for his honesty and insights, and will be missed;

Whereas Commission Ellison consistently approached all matters as Commissioner of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission with preparedness and professionalism, striving to make fair, unbiased decisions in the public interest;

Whereas Commissioner Ellison's term at the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission expired on December 31, 2024; *and*

Whereas Commissioner Ellison was the epitome of a dedicated public servant throughout his career, a person of great integrity, and someone who always fought for the people; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, extends its heartfelt thanks to Commissioner Emeritus James F. Ellison for his dedicated service to the national regulatory community.

Sponsored by the Committee on Gas on July 29, 2025.

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025.

Honorary Resolution for Chairman Willie L. Phillips

Whereas Chairman Willie L. Phillips served on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) as Commissioner from December 3, 2021, through January 2, 2023, and as Acting Chairman from January 3, 2023, through February 9, 2024, and as Chairman from February 10, 2024, through January 20, 2025, and as Commissioner from January 21, 2025, through April 22, 2025;

Whereas Chairman Willie L. Phillips served on the District of Columbia Public Service Commission (DCPSC) as Commissioner from 2014 through 2018 and as Chairman from 2018 through 2021;

Whereas Chairman Phillips was an active member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and served as Chairman of the Select Committee on Regulatory and Industry Diversity; and also served as a member of the Board of Directors, the Committee on Electricity, and the Subcommittee on Education and Research;

Whereas Chairman Phillips was elected and served as President of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utility Commissioners;

Whereas Chairman Phillips served as a member on the Board of Directors for the Organization of PJM States, Inc. and Advisory Council for the Electric Power Research Institute;

Whereas Chairman Phillips developed and hosted the first Clean Energy Summit for the DCPSC;

Whereas Chairman Phillips has gained superior skills in cybersecurity and hosted the Cybersecurity Conference for the DCPSC;

Whereas Chairman Phillips chartered the Advisory Council for Supplier and Workforce Diversity to create opportunities for minorities in business and careers;

Whereas Chairman Phillips, during his tenure as FERC Chairman. led initiatives to advance reliability, affordability, and sustainability.

Whereas As FERC Chairman, he continued his strong support for NARUC, states, and consumers, evidenced by his presiding over the Federal-State Task Force on Electric Transmission, which, under his leadership, evolved into the Federal-State Current Issues Collaborative and is still in operation;

Whereas Chairman Phillips served previously as Assistant General Counsel for the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, and previously as an attorney advising clients on energy regulatory compliance and policy matters;

Whereas Chairman Phillips received his bachelor's degree from the University of Montevallo and his Juris Doctor from the Howard University School of Law; *and*

Whereas Chairman Phillips's commitment to public service will be remembered at the DCPSC, NARUC, and the numerous organizations in which he has served; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit conducted in Boston, Massachusetts, congratulates Commissioner Emeritus Willie L. Phillips on his tenure at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and expresses its best wishes for his future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity on July 29, 2025

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025

Resolution Honoring Michelle Malloy for 27 Years of Dedicated Service to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC)

Whereas after 27 years of herding the NARUC “cats,” champion cat herder (and dog lover) Michelle Malloy has decided to call it quits – at least as NARUC’s meeting director;

Whereas for more than a quarter of a century, Michelle has served NARUC with distinction, grace, and a steady hand — guiding meetings, coordinating chaos, and elevating events from routine to remarkable;

Whereas Michelle prepared for the hectic life of a meetings planner by first graduating from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism, where she famously told her advisor that she aspired to be like *The Love Boat*’s cruise director, Julie McCoy — an early declaration of her calling to lead, organize, and connect people;

Whereas at university, Michelle became a proud sister of the Delta Gamma sorority, and, after graduating, continued her educational journey to achieve both the Certified Meeting Professional (CMP) and Certified Association Executive (CAE) designations, demonstrating excellence and leadership in the meetings and association management fields;

Whereas she served in all officer positions at the Association of Meeting Professionals (AMPs), including AMP Chair and was named AMPs Outstanding Meeting Professional of the Year (2007–2008);

Whereas in 2009, Michelle was honored with the Dick Noble Distinguished Service Award, one of only 26 recipients since its inception, recognizing her commitment and dedication to the meetings planning profession;

Whereas before coming to NARUC, Michelle did journeyman work at the Texas Medical Association as their Special Projects and Clinical Symposia Manager from September 1992 to February of 1998;

Whereas since her arrival at NARUC, Michelle has played an integral role in managing and directing NARUC’s meetings, serving on the senior management team, coordinating with domestic and international partners, and, in her copious free time, serving as Executive Director of MACRUC (an organization that really surprised her with a huge Barbie & Ken-themed bridal shower), serving as Coordinator for the Western Conference and picking up a “GOAT” commendation for taking on and revitalizing the NARUC Water Rate School into an innovative and dynamic training course that is always sold out;

Whereas as an adjunct to her other duties, Michelle’s early involvement in NARUC’s International Programs helped establish the organization’s global reputation for hosting first-class events;

Whereas her mentorship of staff of the Budapest, Hungary-based Energy Regulators Regional Association (ERRA) fostered the growth of a sister regulatory association that continues to reflect her outstanding conference organization skills;

Whereas Michelle survived being trapped in a Hungarian mineral spring’s changing room and did not actually freeze to death while partaking in local cultural customs;

Whereas during a visit to a McDonald's in Bucharest — where patrons were dressed for date night — Michelle bought extra hamburgers to feed the city's stray dogs;

Whereas Michelle skillfully navigated the Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Turkey which features 61 covered streets and over 4,000 shops, and did not lose a single NARUC delegation member;

Whereas Michelle's signature style — calm under pressure, organized beyond belief, and ever gracious — was no doubt inspired by her first role model, her mother, who taught her to listen, plan ahead, and treat everyone with respect;

Whereas outside of work, Michelle finds joy in gardening — especially when growing cucumbers and herbs for her legendary bread and butter pickles — and golf, where she and her husband, Chris are working their way through the Top 100 golf courses list from the year they were married (2010); *and*

Whereas Michelle's unwavering professionalism, warm humor, and quiet strength have made her not just a colleague, but a mentor, friend, and role model to so many in the NARUC community and beyond; *now therefore be it:*

Resolved that the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at the 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, expresses its deepest appreciation to Michelle for her 27 years of outstanding service, leadership, and loyalty; *be it further*

Resolved that Michelle leaves behind a legacy of excellence in meeting planning, a model of gracious leadership, and a very large calendar that no one is quite sure how to fill; *and be it further*

Resolved that although she may be retiring from her role at NARUC, Michelle will forever be remembered as the “voice of god” in general sessions, and THE “cruise director,” guiding us all with a steady hand and a kind heart — we wish her lush fairways, flourishing gardens, and endless peace in “retirement.”

Sponsored by the Executive Committee on July 26, 2025.

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025.



Resolution Honoring Commissioner Charlotte Mitchell of North Carolina

Whereas Charlotte Mitchell was appointed to the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) in 2017 by then-Governor Roy Cooper, was reappointed in 2023, and served until the end of January 2025;

Whereas Chair Mitchell served more than seven years as a Commissioner of the NCUC, five of which as Chair of the NCUC, and demonstrated the professional and intellectual curiosity needed to learn the intricacies of rates and services of electric, natural gas, water/wastewater, and transportation utilities, and the services of the communications industry, as well as natural gas pipelines and the electric transmission systems;

Whereas Chair Mitchell became involved in the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) by serving on its Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment as Vice Co-Chair;

Whereas Chair Mitchell also became involved with other NARUC-affiliated organizations, including the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners (MACRUC) and successfully shepherded membership for the NCUC into MACRUC;

Whereas Chair Mitchell also served as a member of the Advisory Board of the Electric Power Research Institute and served as President of the Organization of PJM States, Inc.;

Whereas Chair Mitchell was known for her innovative ideas, determination, tireless work ethic, dry humor, and meticulous planning, and as a strong advocate for the NCUC staff;

Whereas Chair Mitchell brought an impressive set of skills with her to the positions with the NCUC and with NARUC, having 20 years of professional legal experience with a deep understanding of the regulatory, operational, and policy challenges facing public utility commissions and utilities across the country;

Whereas Chair Mitchell was, long before her regulatory days, a fierce defender on the UNC-Chapel Hill women's soccer team and brought the same level of commitment, discipline, and tenacity to her service at the NCUC, even without the cleats;

Whereas Chair Mitchell presided over expert witness hearings with in-depth knowledge and efficiently;

Whereas Chair Mitchell's work and leadership at the NCUC made a difference in the lives of the people at the NCUC and the people of North Carolina;

Whereas Chair Mitchell's dedication to the people and utilities of North Carolina was matched only by her inability to hide her frustration with parties who did not share her dedication to judicial economy; *and*

Whereas, Chair Mitchell announced in January 2025 that she was stepping down as Chair of the NCUC and she has since joined the law firm of McGuireWoods, LLP as Partner: *now, therefore, be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, extends its sincere gratitude to

Charlotte Mitchell for her outstanding leadership and for her continuous support for NARUC; *and be it further*

Resolved that her friends and former colleagues are pleased to wish Charlotte the very best in all future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment on July 28, 2025

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025

Honorary Resolution for Commissioner Mary Throne

Whereas Mary Throne served on the Wyoming Public Service Commission from 2019 through 2025, serving as Chair of the Commission from March 2023 to March 2025;

Whereas Commissioner Throne has served the state of Wyoming in many capacities over the years, including working for the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division in the Office of the Attorney General and representing Cheyenne's House District 11 in the Wyoming House of Representatives, where she served as Minority Floor Leader for four years while championing bipartisan collaboration to help shape Wyoming's landmark carbon capture and sequestration laws;

Whereas Commissioner Throne was an active member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, serving as Co-Vice Chair of NARUC's Energy Resources and the Environment Committee and then Chairing the NARUC Committee on Coal and Carbon Innovation, and sitting on NARUC's Board of Directors;

Whereas Commissioner Throne served as a member of NARUC's FERC/NARUC Transmission Task Force, and participated in the NARUC Advanced Nuclear State Collaborative;

Whereas Commissioner Throne serves on the New Mexico State University's Center for Public Utilities Advisory Board, as Chair of the Western Interconnect Regional Advisory Body, and as a member of the Western Interstate Energy Board's Committee on Regional Electric Power Cooperation;

Whereas Commissioner Throne is a lifelong Wyoming native, family rancher, and supporter of Frontier Days;

Whereas Commissioner Throne epitomizes the spirit of public service, and has served in state government in a variety of roles to improve the quality of life of her neighbors in the Cowboy State;

Whereas Commissioner Throne is a dedicated wife to her husband Kevin, and mother to her sons Michael, Tarver, and Patrick;

Whereas Commissioner Throne earned an undergraduate degree in History from Princeton University, and her Juris Doctor from Columbia Law School; *and*

Whereas Commissioner Throne will be remembered at the Wyoming Public Service Commission, NARUC, and the numerous organizations in which she has served for her commitment to public service, as well as her humor, ease, and willingness to volunteer; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2025 Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts, congratulates soon-to-be Commissioner Emeritus Mary Throne on her tenure at the Wyoming Public Service Commission, thanks her for her leadership and friendship, and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity on July 28, 2025.

Adopted by the NARUC Board of Directors on July 30, 2025.