

Resolution Honoring Liane M. Randolph of California

Whereas, after earning her Bachelor of Arts in History and Juris Doctorate from the University of California, Los Angeles, Commissioner Liane M. Randolph began her respected and spirited legal career serving as City Attorney for the Cities of San Leandro and Suisun;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph was appointed by Governor Gray Davis as Chair of the California Fair Political Practices Commission in 2003, where she significantly advanced tools and standards for ethics and transparency in state government;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph continued her work in regulatory law and was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown in 2011 to serve as Deputy Secretary and General Counsel at the California Natural Resources Agency;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph was appointed to the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) by Governor Jerry Brown in January 2015 and confirmed by the California Senate to serve a six-year term;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph utilized her extensive government agency experience to lead the CPUC in long-term electric and gas resource planning, climate change adaptation for utilities, utility infrastructure and economic development, and energy market design;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph was a fan of concise brevity in all things—comments from the dais, opening remarks, and panel discussions, to name a few;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph was approachable and gracious, yet decisive and persistent in pursuit of the course of action that she believed was the best way to serve Californians;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph used her expertise in administrative law to work tirelessly to make the CPUC’s regulatory processes more accessible and transparent to the practitioners and the public;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph was accessible to agency staff and has never turned down anyone seeking her guidance;

Whereas Commissioner Randolph’s pragmatic, logical thought process and ability to listen closely to everyone’s perspective allowed her to assist colleagues with devising complex regulatory frameworks; *and*

Whereas Commissioner Randolph will continue to serve Californians as the Chair of the California Air Resources Board, where she was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom in December 2020, *therefore be it*

Resolved that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2021 Winter Policy Summit, congratulates Commissioner Emeritus Liane Randolph on her tenure at the California Public Utilities Commission and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity

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