

***WA-1 Honorary Resolution for John D. Williams III***

**WHEREAS**, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Water and NARUC's Staff Subcommittee on Water are saddened by the passing of John D. Williams III; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The Water Committee and its Staff Subcommittee of NARUC have benefitted from John's expertise in utility ratemaking, specifically in the water and wastewater industry; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Born in Tallahassee, Florida, John's life was one of exemplary public service; *and*

**WHEREAS**, After graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Florida, John embarked on a life of public service; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John began a long and distinguished career with the staff of the Florida Public Service Commission, during which he rose to leadership positions and became a point person on water and wastewater issues for Commissioners and the Florida Legislature; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John greatly advanced the goals of the NARUC Water Committee, through his service and leadership as Chair of the Staff Subcommittee on Water; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John taught others the art of utility ratemaking by participating as faculty for NARUC's Utility Rate School, and by doing so, helped to ensure that the school was a tremendously successful educational opportunity for utility professionals in all sectors; *and*

**WHEREAS**, In 2007, John retired from the Office of Strategic Analysis and Governmental Affairs for the Florida Public Service Commission; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John had more than 30 years of experience in utility rate regulation and was always available to assist and explain water and wastewater regulation to new staff; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John was instrumental in educating and effecting creative regulatory solutions, which benefitted utility customers long term; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Most recently, John served as the Director of Governmental Affairs for Utilities Inc., one of the largest privately-owned water and wastewater utilities in the country; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John was known as a superb colleague and a consummate gentleman, as well as a man of integrity, kindness, generosity, and good humor; *and*

**WHEREAS**, John should be recognized for his remarkable career and his dedicated service to NARUC that impacted so many members of the regulatory community; *now, therefore be it*

**RESOLVED**, That the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 128th Annual Meeting in La Quinta, recognizes the many valuable contributions of John D. Williams III.

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*Sponsored by the Committee on Water*

*Recommended by the NARUC Board of Directors, November 15, 2016*  
*Adopted by the NARUC Committee of the Whole, November 16, 2016*