## Honorary Resolution for Commissioner David Ziegner of Indiana

*Whereas* Commissioner David Ziegner was appointed to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") on August 25, 1990, by Governor Evan Bayh and has received continuous reappointments from Governor Frank O'Bannon, Governor Mitch Daniels, Governor Mike Pence, and Governor Eric Holcomb, with the most recent reappointment occurring in March 2019;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner currently sits as the longest-serving appointed Commissioner in the United States, and is the second longest tenured Commissioner, appointed or elected, in the United States, which is absolutely remarkable even without noting that his appointments were made by five different Governors regardless of party affiliations;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in history and journalism from Indiana University in 1976. He obtained his juris doctor degree from the Indiana University School of Law in Indianapolis in 1979 and was admitted to the Indiana Bar and U.S. District Court in that same year;

*Whereas* prior to joining the Commission, he served as a staff attorney for the Legislative Service Agency, where he developed his background in both utility and regulatory issues. As the agency's senior staff attorney, he specialized in legislative issues concerning utility reform, local measured telephone service, the citizens' utility board, and pollution control. He also served as general counsel for the Commission prior to his appointment;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner served a remarkable eight years as the Treasurer of NARUC, making him the longest serving Commissioner-Treasurer in NARUC's 131-year history;

*Whereas* during his time as NARUC's Treasurer, Commissioner Ziegner served faithfully as an officer of NARUC and served with distinction on NARUC's Executive Committee;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner is a member of NARUC's Committee on Electricity, and a former vicechair of the Committee, and is former chair of its Clean Coal and Carbon Sequestration Subcommittee. He is also a member of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner is a former chairman of the Advisory Council of the Center for Public Utilities at New Mexico State University, and of the Consortium for Electric Reliability Technology Solutions Industry Advisory Board. He is a former member of the Advisory Council of the Electric Power Research Institute;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner is the consummate family man, starting with his wife and college sweetheart, Barbara, who keeps him humble and on the straight and narrow, and his daughter Jennifer, who keeps him focused on the blessings the future holds;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner bleeds red; first as a lifelong St. Louis Cardinals fan, and always as an Indiana University fan through and through;

*Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner is esteemed by his colleagues and affectionately referred to as "Yoda" at the IURC because of his wisdom of the ages and his willingness to help others, *Whereas* Commissioner Ziegner has a passion and focus for public service on behalf of Hoosiers in the State of Indiana, and Indiana will be blessed as he continues to serve in his role as Commissioner at the Indiana Commission; *now therefore be it* 

*Resolved* that the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2020 Winter Policy Summit in Washington, DC, recognizes and offers its heartfelt thanks to Commissioner David Ziegner for his many contributions to NARUC, and in particular, for his remarkable eight years as NARUC's Treasurer, and wishes him all the best in his future endeavors.

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