

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS

RECOMMENDED BY THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

AT THE

**2018 ANNUAL MEETING AND EDUCATION
CONFERENCE**

OF THE

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS**

(NOVEMBER 13, 2018)

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Resolution Honoring Virginia “Sue” Daly

Whereas Sue Daly recently completed her service with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and as Chair of the National Association of Utility Regulatory Commissioners’ (“NARUC’s”) Staff Subcommittee on Education and Research;

Whereas Sue Daly has been an active member and former Chair of NARUC’s Staff Subcommittee on Water;

Whereas Sue Daly began her service with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in 1979 and has served with distinction for nearly 40 years;

Whereas Sue Daly has made significant and lasting contributions in the area of water regulation and helped to ensure accessible, affordable, and clean water through her tireless efforts as a Senior Utility Specialist with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio;

Whereas Sue Daly has served as a faculty member of NARUC’s Water Utility Rate School;

Whereas Sue Daly has made significant contributions to the education of numerous regulators through her work as chair of the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on Education and Research;

Whereas despite the demands of her many professional and civic responsibilities, Sue Daly has been an active and engaged member of the NARUC Subcommittee on Education and Research and the Staff Subcommittee on Water, ably organizing and coordinating the awarding of scholarships and assuming countless other responsibilities;

Whereas Sue Daly was an active member of the National Regulatory Research Institute Research Advisory Committee, generously allocating her time since 2012;

Whereas Sue Daly has served NARUC with distinction earning her the honor, trust, and respect of all who have worked with her;

Whereas Sue Daly has been a generous mentor to NARUC members always willing to provide guidance;

Whereas Sue Daly’s civic involvement has included coaching young girls to further develop self-esteem in Girls on the Run, Girl Scouts of the USA, and hosting numerous foreign exchange students;

Whereas despite her professional obligations, Sue Daly has gone above and beyond to further the mission of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 130th Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Orlando, Florida , extends gratitude to Virginia “Sue” Daly for her leading role on NARUC’s Staff Subcommittee on Education and Research and for her efforts to further improve education and training opportunities, and expresses its best wishes for her future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Subcommittee on Education and Research

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Resolution Honoring James Spearman

Whereas Dr. Jim Spearman earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mineral economics from Pennsylvania State University, a Master of Arts degree in business administration from the Darden Business School at the University of Virginia, and a Doctor of Philosophy in mineral and energy resource economics from West Virginia University;

Whereas Jim has been a professor of economics, an industry economist, and a consultant;

Whereas Jim’s career at the South Carolina Public Service Commission for over 28 years has provided invaluable expertise and judgment in numerous high-level cases;

Whereas Jim has served on national committees in service to South Carolina and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (“NARUC”);

Whereas Jim was appointed as Chair of the Staff Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues - Waste Disposal by NARUC President Phil Jones in 2012;

Whereas Jim’s many successful efforts to promote and improve the Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues-Waste Disposal and Staff Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues-Waste Disposal is recognized throughout the membership of the nuclear committees and NARUC;

Whereas Jim provided valuable insight, education, and support to his fellow regulators to enrich their understanding of the issues surrounding nuclear energy, the nuclear industry, and nuclear waste disposal;

Whereas Jim has been a fixture at NARUC meetings over the decades and is well-known throughout the membership and prized for his knowledge and insights;

Whereas Jim is to retire from the South Carolina Public Service Commission in December;

Whereas Jim completes his distinguished tenure as Chairman of the Staff Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues-Waste Disposal at this Annual Meeting of NARUC;

Whereas Jim is the epitome of a dedicated public servant and is a beacon of professionalism; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 130th Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Orlando, Florida extends its retirement congratulations and heartfelt thanks to Dr. Jim Spearman for his dedicated service to the national regulatory community.

*Sponsored by the Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues-Waste Disposal
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Resolution Honoring Thomas Wilson

Whereas Thomas Wilson served for more than three decades in public service until his retirement in 2018;

Whereas Thomas Wilson served under an extensive array of State Commissioners in two states;

Whereas Thomas Wilson earned his master's degree in economics from the University of Wyoming;

Whereas Thomas Wilson served as a senior economic expert for the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, the Digital Divide Office of Washington State University and for the Wyoming Public Utilities Commission during his long career;

Whereas Thomas Wilson has always shared his expertise and provided guidance to others, whether novice or a fellow expert;

Whereas Thomas Wilson has traveled nationally and internationally at the behest of numerous national and international organizations;

Whereas Thomas Wilson is a recognized leader on the national level and proactive in trying to assist other states, always insisting on a high level of customer service by electric, gas, water, and telecommunications utilities for all customers;

Whereas Thomas Wilson helped start SNAP, the federal-state consumer issues State National Action Plan, introducing the resolution by singing it to the tune of the Addams Family theme song;

Whereas Thomas Wilson did early work prior to the passage of the 1996 Telecommunications Act with many other states through the Subcommittee on Number Portability, OSS, Bill and Keep, and Interconnection;

Whereas Thomas Wilson was educated at the University of Wyoming; he and his beloved wife reside in Cheyenne; he is the proud father of two grown daughters, and three grandsons;

Whereas Thomas Wilson's devotion to a life of public service is admired;

Whereas Thomas Wilson's commitment to fact-based public policy and to doing the right thing made him an honorable public servant; he was never afraid to voice his opinion, even in the face of adversity;

Whereas Thomas Wilson through his career and research endeavors became one of the country's experts on regulatory policy and was called upon to participate in countless national conversations to provide the regulatory perspective;

Whereas Thomas Wilson participated in the landmark Federal-State Rural Task Force that probed broadband availability and use in rural America;

Whereas his contributions and insights were invaluable;

Whereas Thomas Wilson was appreciated for his passionate concerns for consumers and known for taking

on issues no matter how complicated and contentious; moreover, Thomas Wilson's clear dedication to public service was invaluable not only to fellow Wyoming and Washington Commission members, but to the entire national and international community of regulators;

Whereas Thomas Wilson worked in Kenya, South Africa, and Botswana to help twelve African universities create bachelor's and master's degrees in regulatory economics, making great friends along the way;

Whereas Thomas Wilson could always be counted on to shock and surprise with his eloquent quotes of lengthy passages from Aristotle, Plato, and Shakespeare, demonstrating exquisite timing and the broad breadth of his fine education, before launching into detail-driven economic analysis and debate;

Whereas Thomas Wilson was an athlete who shared his love of skiing, biking, and the great western expanses of Washington and Wyoming with his family, friends, and professional cohorts;

Whereas Thomas Wilson will always be remembered by the numerous children who attended the many years of "Bring Your Child to Work Day" for his artistic desk collection of unusual and educational found street objects from his daily bike commutes to the office;

Whereas Thomas Wilson's postcard missives with his photos of skiing midwinter under a sunny sky in Wyoming's vast range while his former coworkers slogged about in Washington's rain will be sorely missed;

Whereas Thomas Wilson embodies dedication and enthusiasm, exhibiting those qualities most recently in retirement with respect to landscape painting;

Whereas Thomas Wilson will be greatly missed; *now therefore be it*

Resolved that the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 130th Annual Meeting and Education Conference in Orlando, Florida, extends its deepest thanks, sincere appreciation, and gratitude to Thomas Wilson for his many years of public service to the States of Washington and Wyoming, and to NARUC.

Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications

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