## RESOLUTION OF THE REPUBLICAN RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION HONORING

Brian P. Dunnigan

WHEREAS, Brian P. Dunnigan, Lincoln, Nebraska, has resigned his position as Director of the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and thus Nebraska Commissioner of the Republican River Compact Administration (RRCA) after having served faithfully in that position for six years and served the people of Nebraska through his committed public service at DNR for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, as the Nebraska Commissioner to the RRCA, and the Director of the Nebraska DNR, Brian has diligently and considerately represented the Compact interests of the State of Nebraska and residents of the Republican River valley in Nebraska utilizing science-based information and utilizing his genuine high regard for water users; and

WHEREAS, while conscientiously representing the State of Nebraska and its constituents, Brian exhibited professionalism, integrity, and provided leadership and guidance towards addressing the complexities of water administration and compact compliance issues, continually reaching out to the States of Colorado and Kansas to compile the most accurate accounting possible of the waters of the Republican River, and to reach fair and reasonable solutions to the many issues associated with the Republican River Compact: and

WHEREAS, Brian carefully and successfully guided the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources through major river management issues, with his years as Director that he referred to as "the highlight of my career"; and

WHEREAS, With more than 100 employees, DNR manages the state's rivers, reservoirs and flood plains along with interstate water agreements; and

WHEREAS, Brian consistently led the DNR in his straight-forward and honest way, always listening carefully and thoughtfully to the various competing interests for Nebraska's water as well as with our water partners in surrounding states; and

WHEREAS, Former Gov. Heineman, under whose administration Brian served, considers Brian an "outstanding director" and that "under his leadership, Natural Resources had many successes, most notably the spirit of cooperation that Brian has fostered with water users within our state, as well as our friends in neighboring states"; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved that the Republican River Compact Administration does hereby express its sincerest gratitude and appreciation to Brian P. Dunnigan for his dedicated service to the RRCA in his position of Nebraska Commissioner and others, and extends its best wishes to Mr. Dunnigan in all his future endeavors:

Be it further resolved that the RRCA honors Mr. Dunnigan's service by including this resolution and appropriate dedicatory remarks in the RRCA annual report for Compact year 2014 and hereby instructs the Nebraska Commissioner to send copies of this resolution to the Dunnigan family and the Governor of the State of Nebraska.

Entered, this 27th day of August, 2015, at the annual meeting of the RRCA held in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Gordon W Fassett

Commissioner for Nebraska

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Dick Wolfe

Commissioner for Colorado

David W. Barfield

Commissioner for Kansas