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## Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board

## In Honor of Janine Migden-Ostrander

WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander served residential customers from 2004 until 2011 as Ohio Consumers' Counsel, pursuant to her appointment by then Ohio Attorney General Jim Petro;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander, through her dedicated advocacy, led the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) to saving over \$8 billion in unnecessary utility bills, either through OCC's direct efforts or through OCC's collaboration with other advocacy organizations;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander, through her visionary leadership as Consumers' Counsel, negotiated for key provisions in Ohio's Energy Law, Senate Bill 221, to make Ohio one of the leading states in the transition to new sources and more efficient uses of energy technology;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander, by recognizing the importance of competitive markets in the utility industry in providing residential customers the lowest available cost option to pay their energy bills, successfully advocated for measures that would require electric generation and natural gas supply service to be competitively bid;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander, through her compassion for customers in vulnerable economic circumstances, established the Low Income Dialogue Group, to advocate for solutions on their behalf, such as utility-funded fuel assistance programs and Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) reform;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander, through her wise and prudent stewardship of the agency's budget, expanded the number of cases in which the agency intervened on behalf of residential customers without an increase in the agency's funding;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander advanced the mission of the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel to "advocate for Ohio's residential utility consumers through representation and education in a variety of forums" and set an example for 80 staff members in her employ to do the same;
WHEREAS,	Janine Migden-Ostrander's dedication and vision for the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel will be greatly missed; and,
WHEREAS,	The Governing Board of the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel would like to publicly acknowledge the many contributions of <b>Janine Migden-Ostrander</b> to the greater good of Ohioans.
THEREFORE, BE IT RES	OLVED, that the Governing Board of the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel commends and expresses its sincere gratitude to Janine Migden- Ostrander, for her seven and one-half years of dedicated service to Ohio and her strong and passionate leadership through changing and challenging times; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLV	VED, that on the 15th day of November in the year two thousand eleven, the Governing Board of the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel wishes Janine Migden-Ostrander success and happiness in all of her future endeavors.
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