Multistate Tax Commission

Resolution No. 2005L

Appreciation of René Y. Blocker, Multistate Tax Commission

Whereas, the René Y. Blocker began her career as Counsel at the Multistate Tax Commission in 1994; and

Whereas, as Counsel, René was an able part of the legal staff that supported the work of the Uniformity and Litigation Committees; and

Whereas, René was promoted to Deputy Director of the Commission in 1998; and

Whereas, as Deputy Director, she oversaw the Policy Research Division, the Training Division and the Communications Division; and

Whereas, as director of the Commission's communications section, René was instrumental in the project to design and implement a larger and more expansive communication network for the Commission and States; and

Whereas, René was also instrumental in the success of the Federalism at Risk seminars and the written report thereafter; and

Whereas, the Dan Bucks, Executive Director of the Commission advised of his departure from that position in late 2004; and

Whereas, the Commission Chair appointed René the Interim Executive Director of the Commission until a new Executive Director had been hired; and

Whereas, René announced her intention to leave the Commission early 2005, with a departure date of April 29, 2005; and

Whereas, the Commission's Executive Director Search Committee had not yet hired an Executive Director by April 29, 2005; and

Whereas, due to the delay, René extended her departure date until July 15, 2005; and

Whereas, As Interim Executive Director, René guided the work of the Commission with a sure hand, and ensured a seamless transition between the former Executive Director and herself; and

Whereas, René departed from the Commission on July 15, 2005; and

Whereas, René is a person of genuine warmth, integrity, ability and humor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Multistate Tax Commission expresses its deep gratitude to René Y. Blocker for all of her efforts in advancing the mission of the Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Multistate Tax Commission expresses its deep gratitude to René for more than a decade of service and for leading the Commission during the search for a new Executive Director; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Multistate Tax Commission expresses its especial appreciation for René's dedication to the work of the Commission and to the Commission itself by delaying her departure date until a new Executive Director could be hired; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that the Multistate Tax Commission wishes René all the best in her new endeavors.

Adopted this 29th day of July 2005, by the Multistate Tax Commission.

Joe Huddleston Executive Director