



Resolution

Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board

In Honor of Dr. Daniel Duann

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann worked in the Analytical Department of the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, beginning in 2008 and then as Assistant Analytical Director beginning in 2018 and then as Analytical Co-Director beginning in 2021, on behalf of Ohio's residential electric, natural gas, telephone, and water utility consumers; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann joined the Ohio Consumers' Counsel from the National Regulatory Research Institute at The Ohio State University whose original Director, Professor Douglas Jones, taught regulation in the public interest to a number of Ohio Consumers' Counsel employees, including the current Agency Director, in classes at the University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann, during his career with the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, advanced the agency's mission to "advocate for Ohio residential utility consumers through representation and education in a variety of forums," including through his expert testimony in regulatory cases; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann, during his career with the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, advanced the agency's vision for "informed consumers able to choose among a variety of affordable, quality utility services with options to control and customize their utility usage, including through his own advocacy and his mentoring of colleagues for their advocacy;" and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann performed his public service with distinction and according to the Ohio Consumers' Counsel's core values of justice, excellence, respect, communications, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann provided invaluable advice and counsel to the Consumers' Counsel and to the agency's staff for serving and protecting Ohio's residential utility consumers; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Duann long advocated for preventing utilities from charging too-high profits to consumers and was a member of the Consumers' Counsel's case team that recently, with others, negotiated a settlement with FirstEnergy for it to refund and credit \$306 million to consumers; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Board of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, in concert with the Agency Director and the Deputy, would like to publicly acknowledge the many contributions of Dr. Daniel Duann to advocacy for Ohio consumers and for the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel commends Dr. Daniel Duann for his public service to Ohio's residential utility consumers, to the Governing Board and to the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, on this 20th day of September in the year two thousand and twenty-two, the Governing Board of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel wishes Dr. Daniel Duann success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

I verify that the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board approved this Resolution on the 20th day of September 2022.



Michael Watkins, Chair
Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board