WHEREAS, on December 13, 2005, the Governors of the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio and Wisconsin, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Premiers of Ontario and Québec signed the "Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement" ("Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 4 of the Agreement came into force on December 13, 2005, pursuant to Article 709 paragraphs 1g and 1h of the Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Article 401 paragraph 11 of the Agreement states in part that “The Parties recognize the importance and necessity of public participation in promoting management of the Water resources of the Basin;” and,

WHEREAS, Article 401 paragraph 1 of the Agreement permits the "Great Lakes—St. Lawrence Water Resources Regional Body" ("Regional Body") to establish its own administrative practices and procedures; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Body has determined that a standing Advisory Committee to the Regional Body is necessary to ensure ongoing public participation in promoting management of the Water resources of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee to the Regional Body is hereby created.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Regional Body is directed to develop a list of recommended members of the Advisory Committee for the Regional Body to consider at its meeting to be held on or about December 8, 2009.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chair of the Regional Body is directed to coordinate with the Chair of the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council in the development of this recommended Advisory Committee membership list.

Adopted June 17, 2009