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National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL)

Resolution Recognizing Past President Senator Neil Breslin (NY) as an Honorary Member of NCOIL

**To be considered during the Executive Committee Meeting on November 24, 2024*

**Sponsored by Rep. Tom Oliverson, M.D. (TX); Asw. Pamela Hunter (NY); Sen. Paul Utke (MN); Rep. Edmond Jordan (LA); Asw. Catalina Cruz (NY); Asm. Erik Dilan (NY); Asm. Jarett Gandolfo (NY); Sen. Pam Helming (NY)*

WHEREAS, Neil Breslin served with distinction for nearly three decades in the New York State Senate after being elected in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Neil has been a longtime active NCOIL fixture, having served as Chair of the State-Federal Relations Committee, Special Committee on Race in Insurance Underwriting, and in each of the NCOIL Officer positions, culminating with his successful tenure as NCOIL President in 2014 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, throughout his time at NCOIL, Neil has been at the forefront of several important NCOIL efforts including being the sponsor of Model Acts and Resolutions such as:

- Auto Insurance Fraud Model Act
- Resolution Encouraging the American Law Institute to Materially Change Proposed Restatement of the Law of Liability Insurance
- Resolution Regarding the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Underwriting
- Resolution Regarding the Use of Certain Rating Factors
- Resolution Regarding Insurance Score Transparency
- Amendments to the “Property & Casualty Modernization Act” Defining Proxy Discrimination

WHEREAS, in addition to his efforts at NCOIL, Neil has led a prestigious career in the New York Senate, currently serving as Chair of both the Senate Insurance Committee and Senate Ethics and Internal Governance Committee, as Co-Chair of the Legislative Ethics Commission and a member of the Legislative Commission on Rural Resources; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career of public service, Neil was integral in shaping insurance public policy both in New York and nationally where he demonstrated his commitment to protecting consumers and preserving the state based system of insurance regulation; and

WHEREAS, NCOIL legislators, staff, and participants have thoroughly enjoyed the hours they have spent working with, laughing with, learning from, and growing to know him as a great legislator and a truly fine man; and

WHEREAS, NCOIL's bylaws permit the NCOIL Executive Committee to, at any regular meeting, confer the title of "Honorary Member" on any individual who has served in a state legislature but is no longer a member of the state legislature or is leaving the legislature at the end of the calendar year in which the action is taken and who has participated in no fewer than 15 official NCOIL events, and who the Executive Committee wishes to recognize for outstanding service to NCOIL; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the NCOIL Executive Committee recognizes Neil's outstanding service to NCOIL; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Senator Neil Breslin is hereby recognized by the NCOIL Executive Committee as an NCOIL Honorary Member; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, with great appreciation, that NCOIL will send this Resolution to Neil in honor of his special place in NCOIL History.