

BOARD OF **D**IRECTORS

RESOLUTION

In Recognition and Profound Appreciation
Of
Distinguished Service
By
Edna Fairbanks-Williams

WHEREAS, Edna Fairbanks-Williams of Vermont served with honor and distinction on the Legal Services Corporation Board of Directors from 1993 to 2006 as a representative of the legal services client community and advocated to advance the cause of equal access to justice for low-income Americans;

WHEREAS, in that capacity, Edna Fairbanks-Williams provided a client perspective to the deliberations of the Board and helped bring legal services to low-income individuals and families;

WHEREAS, Edna Fairbanks-Williams is remembered as "an extraordinary woman" and as "tough, committed and caring" by former Board Chairman Douglas S. Eakeley. "She was a tireless advocate for low-income people who possessed a wonderful sense of humor and balance to her life. During her tenure on the LSC Board, she served variously on the Provisions (1993-1999), Finance (2000-2003) and Operations & Regulations (1996, 2000) Committees, as well as on the Ad Hoc Committee on Performance Reviews of the President and Inspector General (1997-2002), the Strategic Directions Committee (2002), and the Presidential Search Committee (1993-1994). She did not miss a single Board or Committee meeting; indeed, she attended some 59 meetings of committees of which she was not a member;"

WHEREAS, Edna Fairbanks-Williams regularly drew upon her experience and wisdom and contributed perspective and insight, as well as levity at appropriate occasions, making her, former Chairman Eakeley recalled, "truly a source of inspiration for all of us who had the good fortune to serve with her";

WHEREAS, Edna Fairbanks-Williams was a distinguished community leader and long-time leader in organizations, such as Vermont Legal Aid and the Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council, serving low-income individuals in Vermont;

WHEREAS, the LSC Board and the legal services community is deeply saddened by her recent passing;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation formally expresses its gratitude for Edna Fairbanks-Williams' service to the LSC Board and contributions to efforts to provide equal justice for all.

Adopted by the Board of Directors On July 31, 2010

Jolin G. Levi Chairman

Patricia D. Batie

Corporate Secretary