

ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

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RESOLUTION No. 2005-2A

Honoring Mr. James G. Rodgers

WHEREAS, Mr. James G. ("Jim") Rodgers, of Lamar, Colorado, has retired from the Arkansas River Compact Administration after serving from 1985 to 2005, the longest tenure of any Colorado Representative; and

WHEREAS, Jim zealously represented his home area of the basin, while at the same time reaching out to water users in other parts of Arkansas River Basin, particularly the Purgatoire watershed in Colorado as well as downstream in Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Jim worked closely with the Kansas members of ARCA, and the US Army Corps of Engineers, to plan, host, and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of John Martin Reservoir in 1998 thereby promoting interstate comity and enhancing the public's understanding of the value of water conservation; and

WHEREAS, Jim's concern for the Arkansas River Basin, its scarce and precious water resources, and the prior appropriation system was expressed through his service to well user groups as they strove to comply with the enhanced well regulation required as a result of the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Kansas v. Colorado; and

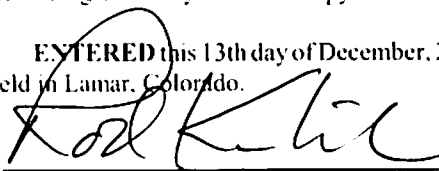
WHEREAS, long before it became fashionable Jim steadfastly warned of the damages from the invasion of phreatophytes, in particular salt-cedar or tamarisk, into the Arkansas Valley and the resulting changes to the channel of the river which increased the risk of flooding and made efficient delivery of water more difficult, and urged the appropriate state and federal agencies to address this issue; and

WHEREAS, Jim's warmth and hospitality have been appreciated by all who worked with him, contributing to a positive spirit at all meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Arkansas River Compact Administration that it does hereby express its sincerest gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to have known and worked with Jim and for his outstanding service, dedication, and courtesy to this Administration and to the States.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration honor Mr. Rodgers by including this Resolution and appropriate dedicatory remarks in the Administration's Annual Report for Compact Year 2005, and hereby instructs the Recording Secretary to send a copy of this Resolution to the Rodgers family, and to the Governor of Colorado.

ENTERED this 13th day of December, 2005, at the Annual Meeting of the Arkansas River Compact Administration held in Lamar, Colorado.


Rod Kuharich, Colorado Representative to
Arkansas River Compact Administration


Robin Jennison, Chairman
Arkansas River Compact Administration

David L. Pope, Kansas Representative and Vice-Chairman
Arkansas River Compact Administration


Stephanie Gonzales, Recording Secretary
Arkansas River Compact Administration