Resolution from the PRIM&R Board of Directors to Karen Hansen

Whereas Ms. Hansen has worked for over 30 years working at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, WA where she is the widely respected and admired Director of the Institutional Review Office; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen is a co-founder of the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI), a national online training curriculum for investigators, IRB professionals, and organizations involved in human subjects protection education and training; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen was the Applied Research Ethics National Association’s (ARENA) eleventh president in 1996; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen oversaw membership growth from 637 to 670 members in 1996, a five percent increase from the previous year; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen is a longtime planning committee and faculty member at both ARENA and PRIM&R’s meetings; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen was the recipient of PRIM&R’s Distinguished Service Award in 2001; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen’s expertise in research ethics has taken her to many corners of the world where she shares her knowledge and time with those trying to build research ethics committees in other countries; and

Whereas Ms. Hansen shared memories of her ARENA service by submitting the following note…“During the time I was vice president, and later president, we actually started moving some of the IRB and IACUC conferences to San Diego. Many truly appreciated the east coast/west coast meeting variation. Attendance at the IRB conferences really started to increase in the mid 90s reflecting the interest in human research protection program issues;”

Therefore be it resolved that the PRIM&R Board of Directors, staff, and the wider PRIM&R community, on this third day of December, 2011, do hereby convey their heartfelt appreciation and boundless gratitude to Ms. Hansen for her long, loyal, and distinguished service to both ARENA and PRIM&R.