MAINE GUARANTEED ACCESS REINSURANCE ASSOCIATION Minutes of the Board of Directors January 11, 2016

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association ("MGARA" or the "Association") was held at 3:00 p.m. on January 11, 2016 by telephone conference call. Attendance is reflected in the record of attendance set forth below:

Jennifer Juke (absent)	Edward J. Kane	
Katherine Pelletreau	Christopher T. Roach	
William M. Whitmore	Jolan F. Ippolito, Chair	
Joel Allumbaugh	Dana Kempton	
	Dr. David Howes	

Also in attendance were Chris Howard, counsel, and Laren Walker, administrator.

The sole item on the agenda was discussion of the appropriate strategy for MGARA with respect to the extension of its period of suspension and retaining its Fund Balance for the duration of that period, as opposed to seeking some type of statutory change in order to make an interim distribution.

Mr. Howard presented a discussion outline prepared for the meeting, which had been distributed prior to the meeting. The outline indicated that Messrs. Howard and Walker estimated that approximately \$500,000 would be required to re-start MGARA, and that its surplus funds that could be used to capitalize its renewed operations were approximately \$4.5 million. Following the presentation, vigorous discussion ensued. The Board reached a consensus confirming its position that it would be most prudent to support the current version of LR 2371, which provides for a 2 year extension and then termination of MGARA's enabling legislation, and that any interim partial distribution of its Fund Balance would not be the most prudent approach, and retaining the \$4.5 million should be retained to reduce the need for large initial assessments to provide capital, in the event of a MGARA restart. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED: to authorize Mr. Howard to initiate a discussion with the Superintendent on this subject, communicating the Board's position, and then report back to the Board and continue to take appropriate actions to communicate the Board's position, and advocate for this result, through the Legislative process, as necessary.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

