



## RESOLUTION

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### RESOLUTION HONORING TARA SONENSHINE August 21, 2013

WHEREAS, Tara Sonenshine served as the Secretary of State's delegate to the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) from April 2012 to June 2013;

WHEREAS, as Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, Ms. Sonenshine exhibited a keen understanding of and interest in U.S. international broadcasting matters from the start, visiting the BBG within days of her swearing-in;

WHEREAS, Under Secretary Sonenshine kept closely in touch with issues affecting the BBG, assigning top advisors to keep her apprised and to offer U.S. Department of State support whenever it was needed;

WHEREAS, Under Secretary Sonenshine's advice on foreign policy matters was crucial to the Board's decision-making on many occasions;

WHEREAS, Under Secretary Sonenshine's background at the U.S. Institute of Peace, the National Security Council staff and in broadcast television news helped inform her opinions and insights, which contributed greatly to the richness of Board discussions; and

WHEREAS, Under Secretary Sonenshine helped elevate the profile of the BBG and highlight its journalists' achievements through her public speaking engagements and weekly newsletters to the public diplomacy community.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Broadcasting Board of Governors deeply appreciates Under Secretary Sonenshine's contributions, thanks her for her service, and hopes that she will remain engaged with U.S. international media matters in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an appropriate copy of this resolution be forwarded to Tara Sonenshine.