

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the family of Ed Daniels upon Ed Daniels posthumously receiving the 2025 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism and on being inducted into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in Natchitoches, Louisiana, each year collaborates with the Louisiana Sports Writers Association in selecting a limited number of sports figures who embody the character, skill, and talent worthy of being named to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, the Distinguished Service Award is the most prestigious honor offered to sports media in the state and recipients are carefully chosen after an extensive deliberation by a forty-member expert panel based on their professional accomplishments in local, state, regional, and national arenas; and

WHEREAS, Ed Daniels posthumously became the recipient of the 2025 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism and a member of the 2025 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class; and

WHEREAS, Ed Daniels was an iconic figure in Louisiana sports journalism, whose decades-long dedication to broadcasting, mentorship, and community engagement left an indelible mark on the state and its people; and

WHEREAS, Ed was a proud native son of New Orleans, who graduated from Archbishop Rummel High School in 1975 and earned a bachelor of arts in communications from Loyola University New Orleans in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Ed began his career in sports journalism in 1977 as an intern at WVUE-TV where he launched a forty-seven-year career that would define high school sports broadcasting and elevate the visibility of local athletics throughout Louisiana and beyond; and

WHEREAS, early in his career, Ed held positions at KPLC-TV in Lake Charles, where he became sports director in 1980, and at WDSU-TV in New Orleans in 1982, where he advanced to weekend sports anchor by 1983; and

WHEREAS, Ed joined WGNO-TV in 1991, became sports director in 1992, and for a time served as the station's primary news anchor, and distinguished himself as one of Louisiana's most trusted and enduring sports voices; and

WHEREAS, Ed was a creator and host of numerous influential sports programs including *Friday Night Football*, the first weekly high school football show in New Orleans, co-hosted with J.T. Curtis and simulcast on WGNO and WNOL since 1991, *The Three Tailgaters Show*, which he co-hosted for over thirty years, and WGNO's *N.O. It Alls* game show produced in partnership with NBC executive Brandon Tartikoff; and

WHEREAS, his extensive media work also included broadcasts of UNO basketball games from 1989 to 1991, the New Orleans Night Arena Football team in 1991, New Orleans Saints preseason games from 1995 to 1999, and New Orleans Zephyrs baseball from 1994 to 1996, where he showcased his remarkable versatility as a broadcaster and commentator; and

WHEREAS, Ed's written voice was equally influential, as he was a longtime columnist for *NewOrleans.com* and *SportsNola.com*, and since 2005, contributed regularly to the *Clarion Herald*, the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, he co-directed the Allstate Sugar Bowl National Prep Classic, created the WGNO Baseball Classic, and launched a 7-on-7 football competition; and

WHEREAS, Ed served for more than four decades as a member of the Allstate Sugar Bowl Media Selection Committee, emceed countless Sugar Bowl events, and voted on both the Heisman Trophy and John Wooden Award committees, which underscored his national stature; and

WHEREAS, he was a founding member of the Saints Hall of Fame Media Selection Committee since 1988, a role that held special significance to him as he and his father attended the first-ever New Orleans Saints game in 1967 at Tulane Stadium; and

WHEREAS, Ed Daniels left behind a legacy not only as a respected journalist, but as a mentor, advocate, and friend to generations of Louisiana athletes, coaches, and fans.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the family of Ed Daniels upon Ed Daniels posthumously receiving the 2025 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism and on being inducted into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Robin Daniels.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES