

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 143

BY SENATOR MURRAY

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Dean Baquet on being named executive editor of the New York Times.

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dean Baquet on being named executive editor of the New York Times newspaper.

WHEREAS, Dean Baquet, age fifty-seven, a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, will become the first African-American executive editor at one of the nation's highest profile newspapers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baquet is "a consummate journalist whose reputation as a fierce advocate for his reporters and editors is well deserved"; and

WHEREAS, he is an enthusiastic supporter of the push towards further creativity in the approach of the digital expression of journalism; and

WHEREAS, he began his newspaper career in New Orleans at The States-Item and later worked for The Times-Picayune; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baquet has been the managing editor for news at the New York Times since September 2011, and also served as editor of the Los Angeles Times; and

WHEREAS, as a reporter at the Chicago Tribune, Baquet won the Pulitzer Prize for investigative journalism in 1988 for coverage of Chicago City Council corruption; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baquet made national headlines when he landed the Los Angeles position as the first African-American editor of a major newspaper.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
2 does hereby commend and congratulate Dean Baquet on being named executive editor of
3 the New York Times.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Dean
5 Baquet.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Angela L. De Jean.

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