SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 173

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A RESOLUTION

To commend Angela Hill for her 35 years in broadcasting at WWL New Orleans and for her outstanding commitment to journalism and service to our state.

WHEREAS, Angela Hill has been an integral force at WWL-TV for more than thirty-five years, joining the station's "Eyewitness News" staff in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hill has been a household name and invited into thousands of New Orleans local homes every weeknight; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hill is a broadcast icon in the New Orleans market; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin with a degree in Journalism, Angela immersed herself in the field of television journalism by assuming the roles of anchor, reporter, producer, and assistant news director at two small television stations; and

WHEREAS, she quickly gained the kind of multi-faceted experience that was destined to propel her to the top as one of the industry's most trusted local news personalities; and

WHEREAS, only months after joining WWL-TV as a consumer reporter, Angela's natural talent soon earned her a coveted chair behind the station's six and ten o'clock evening anchor desk where she has become a cornerstone of New Orleans televison broadcasting; and

WHEREAS, for seven years Angela hosted the popular and critically-acclaimed "Angela Show", which ran weekday afternoons on WWL-TV highlighting local and national issues while also showcasing local and national talent in entertainment, business and academics; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Hill's career also encompasses in-depth special reports and primetime documentaries filed from the world's capitals of London, Paris, Rome, and Beirut, as well as from locations in China and Africa; and

WHEREAS, while Angela is retiring from nightly newscasts, her interest and skill in documentaries and special stories will continue as she engages in the production of hourlong documentaries and special projects for WWL-TV; and

WHEREAS, through her new position, Angela will be allowed much needed family and personal time while still working to inform the public of newsworthy stories; and

WHEREAS, during her career Angela Hill has garnered numerous local and national industry awards, being inducted into the New Orleans Broadcasting Hall of Fame, receiving the Press Club of New Orleans Lifetime Achievement Award, being named a distinguished member of the Walk of Fame, and a recipient of the Gabriel Award, the Gracie Award and Freedom Foundation Award; and

WHEREAS, Angela's contributions to the community extends well beyond the television camera and her profound love of animals and people alike has inspired her to give countless hours to diverse organizations including being named as the first "Animal Ambassador" by the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine for her tireless work promoting the issues of animal welfare.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Angela Hill for her 35 years in broadcasting at WWL New Orleans and for her outstanding commitment to journalism and service to our state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Angela Hill.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE