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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

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

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2 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 3 4 inducted into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. 5 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 6 7 sports figures who embody the character, skill, and talent worthy of being named to the 8 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame; and 9 WHEREAS, the Distinguished Service Award is the most prestigious honor offered 10 to sports media in the state and recipients are carefully chosen after an extensive deliberation 11 by a forty-member expert panel based on their professional accomplishments in local, state, regional, and national arenas; and 12 13 WHEREAS, Ed Daniels posthumously became the recipient of the 2025 14 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism and a member of the 2025 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Ed Daniels was an iconic figure in Louisiana sports journalism, whose decades-long dedication to broadcasting, mentorship, and community engagement left an 17 18 indelible mark on the state and its people; and

1	WHEREAS, Ed was a proud native son of New Orleans, who graduated from
2	Archbishop Rummel High School in 1975 and earned a bachelor of arts in communications
3	from Loyola University New Orleans in 1979; and
4	WHEREAS, Ed began his career in sports journalism in 1977 as an intern at WVUE-
5	TV where he launched a forty-seven-year career that would define high school sports
6	broadcasting and elevate the visibility of local athletics throughout Louisiana and beyond;
7	and
8	WHEREAS, early in his career, Ed held positions at KPLC-TV in Lake Charles,
9	where he became sports director in 1980, and at WDSU-TV in New Orleans in 1982, where
10	he advanced to weekend sports anchor by 1983; and
11	WHEREAS, Ed joined WGNO-TV in 1991, became sports director in 1992, and for
12	a time served as the station's primary news anchor, and distinguished himself as one of
13	Louisiana's most trusted and enduring sports voices; and
14	WHEREAS, Ed was a creator and host of numerous influential sports programs
15	including Friday Night Football, the first weekly high school football show in New Orleans,
16	co-hosted with J.T. Curtis and simulcast on WGNO and WNOL since 1991, The Three
17	Tailgaters Show, which he co-hosted for over thirty years, and WGNO's N.O. It Alls game
18	show produced in partnership with NBC executive Brandon Tartikoff; and
19	WHEREAS, his extensive media work also included broadcasts of UNO basketball
20	games from 1989 to 1991, the New Orleans Night Arena Football team in 1991, New
21	Orleans Saints preseason games from 1995 to 1999, and New Orleans Zephyrs baseball from
22	1994 to 1996, where he showcased his remarkable versatility as a broadcaster and
23	commentator; and
24	WHEREAS, Ed's written voice was equally influential, as he was a longtime
25	columnist for NewOrleans.com and SportsNola.com, and since 2005, contributed regularly
26	to the Clarion Herald, the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of New Orleans; and
27	WHEREAS, he co-directed the Allstate Sugar Bowl National Prep Classic, created
28	the WGNO Baseball Classic, and launched a 7-on-7 football competition; and
29	WHEREAS, Ed served for more than four decades as a member of the Allstate Sugar
30	Bowl Media Selection Committee, emceed countless Sugar Bowl events, and voted on both

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the Heisman Trophy and John Wooden Award committees, which underscored his national 1 stature; and 2 3 WHEREAS, he was a founding member of the Saints Hall of Fame Media Selection 4 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 5 6 WHEREAS, Ed Daniels left behind a legacy not only as a respected journalist, but 7 as a mentor, advocate, and friend to generations of Louisiana athletes, coaches, and fans. 8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 9 commend and congratulate the family of Ed Daniels upon Ed Daniels posthumously 10 receiving the 2025 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism and on being inducted 11 into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to

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