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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 157

BY REPRESENTATIVES BROSSETT, BADON, WESLEY BISHOP, LEGER, AND MORENO

A RESOLUTION

To commend news anchor Norman Robinson for his many years of dedicated service to WDSU and the citizens of New Orleans upon his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Norman Robinson for an outstanding career in broadcast journalism and recognize his many achievements and significant contributions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson is the current anchor on WDSU News at 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. and is the host and moderator of The Hot Seat for WDSU, the NBC network affiliate in New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, before joining WDSU, Mr. Robinson worked for broadcast outlets in Southern California, Mobile, Alabama, and New York, and in Washington, D.C., where he was a member of the White House Press Corps as a correspondent for CBS News; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson has certificates from the United States Naval School of Music, the Columbia School of Journalism, and Harvard University and is the recipient of an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Our Lady of Holy Cross College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson is a member of the Central St. Matthew United Church of Christ in New Orleans, regularly speaks at schools, churches, and charity fundraising events, and performs with the nationally recognized New Orleans Concert Band, in which he has played the baritone horn for the past twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson also has extensive military experience, including a four-year tour of duty in the United States Marine Corps in which he was a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps Field Bands at Paris Island, Camp Pendleton, and the former El Toro Marine Corps Air Station; and

WHEREAS, Norman Robinson's unique perspective, vast knowledge, and trademark professionalism and integrity will be sorely missed by all of his colleagues at WDSU-TV and by the countless viewers whose lives he has touched; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson is widely respected and admired by his colleagues in the television news business, many of whom are blessed to call him a friend, and all of whom recognize the professionalism and expertise with which he provides invaluable news and information to the New Orleans area day after day, year after year; and

WHEREAS, the debt of the people of Louisiana to Norman Robinson is indeed great, for he has touched the lives of not only those fortunate enough to have known him but of all those who grew up watching and listening to him on television and who feel the lasting impact of his legacy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson, one of Louisiana's finest sons, is beloved for his extraordinary gifts and talents, and he merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for his singular contributions and outstanding accomplishments.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Norman Robinson upon his retirement for his remarkable career as a news anchor for WDSU in New Orleans, does hereby express enduring appreciation for all the information he has provided over the years and the honor his outstanding work brings to his family and friends, the crescent city, and the state of Louisiana, and does hereby extend best wishes to him for continued success, health, and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Norman Robinson.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES