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Senate Resolution 1022

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Morgan Dukes and recognizing March 23, 2018, as Women and Men in Radio
- 2 Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Morgan Dukes was born in Laurel, Mississippi, and is affectionately known as
- 4 the First Lady of Gospel Radio; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she obtained a bachelor's degree in Radio-TV-Film from the University of
- 6 Southern Mississippi and began her career in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, at radio station
- 7 WMSU; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Morgan went on to join WHSY-FM, also in Hattiesburg, and expanded her
- 9 broadcasting career as a television reporter, program director, and radio host of several other
- 10 stations in Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she accepted her call to become a Gospel radio announcer and became the first
- 12 hostess of the groundbreaking radio show "Morning Inspirations," which was the first daily
- 13 Gospel broadcast to hit the Atlanta airwaves; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Morgan works very closely with the Teens in Training (TNT) Ministry, the
- Women's Fellowship, and the Women of Virtue Conference; spends her time working with
- 16 the youth in her community and mentoring the next generation of broadcasters through both
- 17 internships and private lessons; and sits on several professional boards including the South
- 18 Metro Marriage and Family Alliance; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Morgan's broadcasting career spans more than 30 years and includes
- 20 appearances in movies, voice overs for national commercials, and hosting and appearances
- 21 on television shows; and

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22 WHEREAS, she currently hosts "the Gospel Express," which is broadcasted daily on more

- 23 than 50 stations nation wide; and
- 24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the accomplishments of this exemplary
- 25 individual be appropriately recognized.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 27 commend Morgan Dukes and recognize March 23, 2018, as Women and Men in Radio Day
- at the state capitol.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Morgan Dukes.