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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating Maureen  
2 McFadden's upcoming retirement from WNDU after nearly 40  
3 years of service to the Michiana area.

4           *Whereas, Maureen's journey at Newscenter 16 began*  
5 *nearly forty years ago when she took an unpaid position at*  
6 *WNDU that evolved into a full-time job as a radio news*  
7 *anchor. Her talent was quickly noticed by Newscenter 16*  
8 *News Director, Mike Collins, and she was offered a position*  
9 *as a television reporter. Maureen's success at Newscenter 16*  
10 *eventually led her to become the network's main anchor in*  
11 *1983;*

12           *Whereas, Throughout her time at Newscenter 16,*  
13 *Maureen has connected with and earned the trust of*  
14 *thousands of Hoosier viewers. She understands the*  
15 *importance of journalism and has been committed to honesty*  
16 *and integrity in her work;*

17           *Whereas, "Mo", as she has become known by viewers, is*  
18 *known for her confident yet warm presence at the anchor*  
19 *desk;*

20           *Whereas, Maureen's career has been filled with notable*  
21 *journalistic achievements. She secured an interview with*  
22 *Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger at the*  
23 *dedication of the new Notre Dame Law School in London.*  
24 *She also interviewed national figures such as Hillary Clinton*



1       *and Rosa Parks;*

2               *Whereas, Maureen is both a two-time Emmy Award*  
3 *winning journalist and a life-long resident of Michiana. Her*  
4 *fellow coworkers and peers at WNDU refer to her as*  
5 *Michiana's "Ultimate Working Mom", because of her*  
6 *inspiring dedication to her family, work, and community;*

7               *Whereas, In addition to her admirable talent as a*  
8 *journalist, Maureen is known for her community*  
9 *engagement. She has volunteered her time and talent to*  
10 *many organizations and served on several non-profit*  
11 *community boards. She has used her platform to work with*  
12 *the organization Big Brothers/Big Sisters to create the "Kids*  
13 *to Love" segment, which helped pair local children with a*  
14 *mentoring "big brother" or "big sister";*

15               *Whereas, In February of this year, Maureen received the*  
16 *Sagamore of the Wabash Award, Indiana's highest civilian*  
17 *honor. The award was presented by Governor Holcomb and*  
18 *is a personal tribute given to those who have rendered a*  
19 *distinguished service to the state or to the governor; and*

20               *Whereas, The board of the Associated Press of Indiana*  
21 *voted in February 2019 to induct Maureen into its hall of*  
22 *fame to honor her time at Newscenter 16. The induction is*  
23 *another well-deserved honor after nearly forty years at*  
24 *Newscenter 16: Therefore,*

25               *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*  
26 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives*  
27 *concurring:*

28               SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly  
29 congratulates Maureen McFadden upon her retirement from  
30 WNDU and thanks her for her nearly 40 years of service to  
31 the Michiana community.

32               SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby  
33 directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Maureen



1 McFadden.

