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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

BY SENATORS PRESSLY, BASS, JENKINS AND SEABAUGH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Erin McCarty for forty years of radio broadcasting excellence.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Erin McCarty for forty years of radio broadcasting excellence.
3	WHEREAS, Erin McCarty is a forty-year veteran of broadcast journalism and has
4	brightened the airwaves of Shreveport-Bossier for more than thirty years; and
5	WHEREAS, a graduate of Baton Rouge Magnet High School, Erin earned an
6	undergraduate degree from Louisiana State University in 1983 and "earned her chops" in
7	broadcasting on KLSU-91.1, the student-run campus radio station; and
8	WHEREAS, after graduation, Erin explored other radio venues in Tyler, Texas,
9	Northfield, New Jersey, and Lubbock, Texas, before finding her niche in northwest
10	Louisiana; and
11	WHEREAS, in the Ark-La-Tex region, Erin established a broad audience base on
12	Shreveport radio stations KWKH, KRUF, KVKI, and presently on KEEL; and
13	WHEREAS, in 2019, Erin was selected for the Gracie Award by the Alliance for
14	Women in Media Foundation (AWMF); and
15	WHEREAS, the award is named for comedian Gracie Allen of the famous
16	entertainment duo of Burns and Allen and celebrates outstanding programming and
17	individual achievement by women in radio, television, and interactive media; and

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WHEREAS, Erin's Gracie Award is for Top Female Talk Show Host in the category
of Talk/Personality in Small/Medium Markets as a local co-host in a nonsyndicated program;
and
WHEREAS, at the time, Erin was one-half of the Robert & Erin in the Morning
Show on 710 KEEL News Radio, a news and talk radio format broadcast in the weekday
morning time slot; she covered the latest topics that impact local, state, national, and
international news along with her co-host of over twenty-five years, Robert J. Wright; and
WHEREAS, following Robert Wright's retirement, the Robert & Erin Morning Show
evolved to the present Mike & McCarty Morning Show and is still as much a part of the
daily routine for many citizens of northwest Louisiana as a cup of coffee; and
WHEREAS, Erin gives back to the community in a variety of ways including service
as a member of the board of directors of Loving Solutions, a faith-based recovery program
for women who struggle with substance addiction; and
WHEREAS, she is the proud mother of two grown sons, J. W. and John, who both
served in the United States Marine Corps; and
WHEREAS, by honoring this outstanding individual, Erin McCarty, women in media
are encouraged to elevate their careers and contribute to their communities.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
does hereby commend Erin McCarty for forty years of radio broadcasting excellence.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Erin
McCarty.

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Pressly

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