

House Resolution 25EX

By: Representatives Purcell of the 122nd, Stephens of the 123rd, Lane of the 101st, Keen of the 146th, Skipper of the 116th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating and commending WTOC of Savannah; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, WTOC of Savannah, the call letters of which stand for the civic-minded phrase
3 "Welcome to Our City," went on the air as an AM station in 1929; and
- 4 WHEREAS, in the many years since it began, WTOC has expanded its operations and was
5 the first in Savannah with AM radio, FM radio, and television broadcasting; and WTOC-TV
6 is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2004; and
- 7 WHEREAS, WTOC has long functioned under the motto "Teamwork-Trust-Tradition," and
8 its team, while ensuring fair and objective news reporting, has also aggressively reported the
9 good news of the community; and
- 10 WHEREAS, WTOC is rightly proclaimed as "the Southeast News Leader," having won
11 numerous awards, including Emmy, Edward R. Murrow, Associated Press "Best Newscast,"
12 and Associated Press "Pacemaker," each of the latter two awards having been won for the
13 second consecutive year; and
- 14 WHEREAS, lead anchor pairs for the news team currently include former state
15 representative Sonny Dixon and Jody Chapin; Dawn Baker and Mike Manhattan; and Mike
16 Cihla and Shannon Royster; and leading the weather and sports teams are meteorologist Pat
17 Prokop and sports anchor Rick Snow, respectively; and
- 18 WHEREAS, WTOC is unashamedly supportive of the United States military forces which
19 protect America's freedom and are such a large presence in the Savannah community.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body congratulate and commend WTOC of Savannah for its many years
22 of outstanding service to the community, including 50 years of television broadcasting.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to WTOC of Savannah.