

House Resolution 16 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

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1 A Resolution congratulating Iowa Public Television on
2 the auspicious occasion of the statewide educational
3 network's 50th anniversary.

4 WHEREAS, Governor Robert D. Ray signed into law
5 in 1969 legislation appropriating moneys for the
6 construction, equipping, administration, and operation
7 of the state's educational television network; and

8 WHEREAS, today Iowa Public Television is an Emmy
9 award-winning television network serving 2 million
10 viewers each month with four unique programming
11 channels, a 24 hours, seven days a week IPTV KIDS
12 livestream, and 36 million minutes viewed on IPTV's
13 YouTube channels last year alone; and

14 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television's educational
15 services and programs spark curiosity and create a
16 love of learning and interest in science, technology,
17 engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) fields in
18 hundreds of thousands of Iowa children, provide Iowa's
19 caregivers, teachers, and educators with free resources
20 and professional development, and nurture STEAM and
21 future-ready skills in our next generation; and

22 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television brings coverage of
23 Iowa's talented students including girls' high school
24 athletic and dance championships, the All-State Music
25 Festival, the Terrace Hill Piano Competition, and more,
26 free to all Iowans and the world via broadcast and
27 livestreams each year; and

28 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television's Iowa Press has set

1 the standard for public affairs programming in Iowa
2 since 1971, and its Market to Market, first broadcast
3 in 1975, is the longest-running program of its kind,
4 airing in 24 markets across 10 states; and

5 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television is a true public and
6 private partnership supported through state and federal
7 dollars, grants, gifts, underwriting, and the support
8 of more than 60,000 households through the Friends of
9 IPTV Foundation; and

10 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television remains a beacon
11 of thought-provoking media and Iowa's only statewide
12 television network; NOW THEREFORE,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
14 the House of Representatives commends and congratulates
15 Iowa Public Television on the past 50 years of telling
16 Iowa's stories while building and utilizing the latest
17 technology to expand public access for an even brighter
18 future.