

Senate Resolution 15 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15

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1 A Resolution commending Iowa Public Television on the
2 statewide educational network's 50th anniversary
3 and recognizing March 31, 2019, as Iowa Public
4 Television Day at the Iowa State Capitol.

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

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

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

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

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

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

11 WHEREAS, Iowa Public Television stands as Iowa's
12 only statewide television network, remains a beacon of
13 thought-provoking media, and continues to build and
14 utilize the latest technology to expand public access
15 for an even brighter future; NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
17 recognizes March 31, 2019, as Iowa Public Television
18 Day at the Iowa State Capitol and commends Iowa Public
19 Television on its 50-year anniversary of telling Iowa's
20 stories and educating Iowa's citizens and youth.