RESOLUTION
PUBLIC SESSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING
WASHINGTON, D.C.
Monday, October 2, 2017
(5 in favor, 1 absent)

RESOLVED,

That the Board of Directors
of the
Corporation for Public Broadcasting
Expresses its Deep Appreciation for the Outstanding Contributions of

Wilbur “Skip” Hinton

President of the National Educational Telecommunications Association

The Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting recognizes the extraordinary contributions to public media of Mr. Skip Hinton on the occasion of his retirement.

Mr. Hinton has devoted his life to public broadcasting in a career that stretches back to the earliest days of public television. As a production manager for the Montgomery Public Television in Alabama, he drove his station wagon to deliver tapes to stations, the earliest precursor to today’s satellite interconnection system. Among his most memorable journeys was presenting a 33-minute screening reel for a new series called “Sesame Street” at children’s centers throughout Alabama.

In his long and distinguished career, Mr. Hinton served as executive director of University Television Services at the University of Alabama College of Communication and general manager of Alabama Public Television. He designed and implemented Alabama Public Television’s first news and public affairs productions and helped organize the 1984 Wingspread Conference on Editorial Integrity in Public Media, which created the first editorial guidelines for the public media system. Mr. Hinton then became the president of the National Educational Telecommunications Association and has served in that position for nearly 29 years.

With his encyclopedic knowledge of public broadcasting and a collaborative spirit of service, Mr. Hinton served on many boards and committees at local, regional and national levels, including the National Forum for Public Broadcasting Executives, the Organization of State Broadcasting Executives and the Affinity Group Coalition.

Mr. Hinton is greatly respected by his public media colleagues for his expertise and leadership as well as his kindness, especially toward newcomers to public broadcasting.

We mark the end of his distinguished service to NETA with respect, admiration, and gratitude.