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## SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA NINETY-THIRD SESSION

## S.R. No. 45

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A Senate resolution

honoring Brendan Henehan for his outstanding career in public broadcasting.

**WHEREAS,** since December 7, 1984, Twin Cities Public Television has produced and broadcast the iconic public affairs show, *Almanac*, each Friday night; and

WHEREAS, Minnesotans are active, engaged, and interested in preserving and promoting transparency in government, and the media is an essential component of ensuring transparency in public affairs and in bringing vital information to the people of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Brendan Henehan, as the co-creator of *Almanac*, has produced more than 1,765 episodes of *Almanac* and created more than 1,500 Minnesota history quiz questions; and

WHEREAS, Brendan produced his first televised political debate in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Brendan has produced more statewide political debates than any other Minnesotan, from United States Senate races to governor's races to mayoral and city council races; and

**WHEREAS,** Brendan is retiring from his illustrious career in producing meaningful public affairs television for the state of Minnesota and will produce his final episode of *Almanac* on Friday, May 12, 2023; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it congratulates Brendan Henehan on his distinguished career and thanks him for his service to Minnesota.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by the Secretary's signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Brendan Henehan.

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