

## Legislation Text

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Honoring and congratulating Ulysses Samuel Washington III also known as veteran newsman Ukee Washington on induction into the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame on May 3, 2015 and for his dedicated service keeping Philadelphia informed on newsworthy issues.

WHEREAS, Ulysses Samuel Washington III is the son of a professor and former football coach at Delaware State University. Washington was raised in West Philadelphia with a love for music which earned him status as a member of the Philadelphia Boys Choir's "elite." With the Philadelphia Boys Choir, Washington traveled the world representing the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Washington then attended Dover High School in Delaware where he was a celebrated athlete. Following high school, Washington attended and graduated from the University of Richmond, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, In July 1986, Washington joined the CBS Channel 3 news team as a weekend sports anchor then moved over to the news desk as early morning and noon anchor in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Since that time, Washington has been front and center anchoring some of the region's most memorable stories including live coverage of Super Storm Sandy in 2012 and the Phillies World Series Celebration Parade in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Washington's assignments have run the gamut from hosting a recent Mayoral election forum with the candidates in Philadelphia to going behind bars to interview a high school classmate on death row. Washington also served as a guest co-host on CBS's THE TALK, in 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Washington put together a special report on the still controversial Philadelphia Project, also known as Project Rainbow. This infamous project involved a US Naval experiment to make the U.S.S. Eldridge destroyer ship invisible while it was pulled into the Delaware Bay area in July 1943; and

WHEREAS, Today, in addition to his daily anchor duties, Washington provides viewers with "Keepin' It Real," a special segment of the morning newscast in which Washington previews one of the week's theatrical releases and interview the stars and directors; and

WHEREAS, Washington is the recipient of numerous professional and civic awards and accolades, including induction into the Broadcast Pioneers of Philadelphia's Hall of Fame in 2008; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That Ulysses Samuel Washington III, also known as veteran newsman Ukee Washington, is hereby proudly honored and recognized on his prestigious induction into the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame on May 3, 2015.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution shall be presented to Ulysses Samuel

Washington III as evidence of the sincere respect and appreciation of this legislative body for his outstanding professional success and personal contributions to keeping Philadelphians well informed. Congratulations!