Arizona House of Representatives Celebrates KTAR’s Century of Broadcasting

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – The Arizona House of Representatives today celebrated KTAR radio’s 100 years of broadcasting in the State of Arizona. An official legislative proclamation, sponsored by Republican State Representative Teresa Martinez, was read aloud on the House floor honoring the station’s centennial and its contributions to the community over the years.

Whereas, Arizona’s oldest continuously licensed radio broadcast station, KTAR, began to crackle across Valley airwaves on June 21, 1922; and

Whereas, over the last 100 years, KTAR has continually provided Arizonan’s entertainment and timely reporting of breaking news, traffic, weather, and sports; and

Whereas, KTAR has grown into the trusted radio voice of Arizona and the state’s largest newsroom; and

Whereas, over its century of broadcasting, Arizonans have enjoyed listening to KTAR’s beloved local on-air voices, including Al McCoy, Pat McMahon, Preston Westmoreland, Bill Heywood, Rosie Romero, Jayme West, Jeff Munn, Jim Cross, “Detour” Dan Beach, Mike Broomhead, and many more; and

Whereas, some favorite KTAR personalities went on to become notable public servants, including Arizona’s 9th Governor Howard Pyle, who had served as the station’s news announcer and program director, and State Representative Jay Lawrence, who was a longtime talk show host; and

Whereas, KTAR continues to be a critical communication source throughout the state of Arizona, and is the go-to station for Amber, Blue and Silver alerts in the Valley; and

Whereas, KTAR is regarded for its enduring commitment to community service and charitable work, raising awareness for good causes and hosting radiothons to benefit organizations such as Phoenix Children’s Hospital, St. Mary’s Food Bank, Toys for Tots, and the Arizona Humane Society.

Therefore, I, Representative Teresa Martinez, Republican, Legislative District 11, invite the members of the Arizona House of Representatives to join in celebrating KTAR radio’s 100th anniversary of broadcasting and recognizing the station’s ongoing service to the people of Arizona.

A copy of the official proclamation is attached.

Teresa Martinez is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 11, which includes portions of Pinal and Pima Counties. Follow her on Twitter at @TMartinez4AZ.

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Legislative Proclamation

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Dated this 20th day of June 2022

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Legislative District 11