

A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving memory of Ethel L. McLendon.

WHEREAS, Ethel McLendon was born in Craven County, North Carolina, the daughter of George and Louise Richard, and the stepdaughter of Millie Richard; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon graduated from Williston High School and North Carolina Central University and went on to further her education at Tennessee A&I State University, Peabody College, and Columbia University; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon was an assistant professor emeritus and former faculty representative on the Board of Regents at Kentucky State University. Before her retirement from KSU in 1986, she was a member of the sociology department and taught upper level classes in social disorganization, juvenile delinquency, urban sociology, and marriage; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon served as a member and chair of the Athletic Committee and was a faculty representative to the NCAA. She also periodically filled in as acting athletic director at KSU and served as chair of the Panhellenic Council and on the university's initial Tenure and Promotion Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon was a former member and chair of the Frankfort Housing Commission. Under her leadership, the housing authority received millions of dollars in grants to upgrade Frankfort's public housing units. The authority also built a state-of-the-art office and maintenance facility and converted the old Southern Hotel into a modern housing facility for the elderly. In honor of her service and dedication to the authority, a new multipurpose gym facility was named in her honor in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon was a proud member of the First Baptist Church of Wilmington, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon departed this earthly life and entered the kingdom of Heaven on August 1, 2014, leaving her family, friends, and all those whose lives she had touched in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, Ethel McClendon was preceded in death by her parents; her siblings, Edna Norman, William Richard, and Billy Richard; and her stepchildren, Coretta and John McLendon III. She is survived by her brother, Adolph Richard, and her niece, Carol Hall and her husband, Tyrone;

NOW, THEREFORE,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

➔Section 1. The House of Representatives hereby expresses its deepest and most profound condolences upon the passing of Ethel L. McLendon, and extends its heartfelt sympathy to her family, friends, and community in this time of loss.

➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving memory of Ethel L. McLendon.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Representative Derrick Graham for delivery.