

A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving memory of Kathryn Hunter Wycoff.

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff was born in Leitchfield in 1911, the cherished daughter of the late Lucian O. and Virginia Monica Meredith Hunter; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff left behind a legacy of service to the Democratic Party. Her father, the chair of the Grayson County Democratic Party, enlisted her to serve on the State Central Executive Committee, the governing body of the Kentucky Democratic Party, when she was just 18 years old; and

WHEREAS, after declining Happy Chandler's invitation to run for Secretary of State in 1955, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff went on to leave an indelible mark on the Democratic Party in Kentucky and on the changing role of women in politics. She was a member of the Democratic State Central Executive Committee, president of the Nelson County Democrat Club, vice president and district director of the Kentucky Democrat Women's Club, and was the Nelson County Women's Chair for two gubernatorial races; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff was also active in her home community of Nelson County, organizing the county's first March of Dimes campaign. She was the former curator and manager of My Old Kentucky Home State Park and was employed as a statistician in the State Veterinarian's Office. She was a member of the inaugural board of Elizabethtown Community College, director of the North Central Kentucky Education Corporation, a member and chair of the anthropology committee of the Kentucky Heritage Council, executive director of the Bardstown-Nelson County Chamber of Commerce, a charter member of the My Old Kentucky Home Country Club, a member of the Stephen Foster Music Club, and a member of the advisory council of the Stephen Foster Drama Association; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff was active in her Catholic faith, serving as president of the St. Joseph Altar Society, as a Eucharistic minister, and as a sacristan. She

co-chaired the 1962-1964 restoration of St. Joseph Cathedral, was a religious chair of the Bardstown Bicentennial, and was a member of the Advisory Council of the Churches and a delegate to the Kentucky Council of Churches; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff departed this earthly life at 103 years of age on February 23, 2015, leaving all those who knew her and were touched by her spirit in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Hunter Wycoff was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joseph McIlvoy Wycoff; her brothers, Charles Edward Hunter, John Allen Hunter, and Lucian O. Hunter, Jr.; and her sisters, Mary Elizabeth Hay, Nell Cannon Hay, and Jane Hill Hunter. She is survived by her sons, Joseph Addison Wycoff and his wife, Anne Talbott Wycoff, and John Hunter Wycoff; her brother, James Crady Hunter; her sister, Jane Hunter Hain; her nephews, Hunter Hay, Kenner Hay, and Jackie Hay; and her niece, Meredith Hay Mucci;

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 Kathryn Hunter Wycoff, 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 Kathryn Hunter Wycoff.

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