

A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Dr. Louis Walker Arnold.

WHEREAS, Dr. Louis Walker Arnold was born in Buckeye, Kentucky, on January 17, 1914, the cherished son of the late Ed and Texie Agee Arnold; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold served in the ministry for over 80 years. He felt the call to preach at 11 years old, and at 19 he gave his first sermon in the Mitchellsburg Baptist Church. Following that sermon he was said to have uttered the words, "Lord, I'd rather be a preacher than President of the United States"; and

WHEREAS, in 1944, Dr. Arnold learned to fly and started commuting by airplane between churches in Kentucky and Ohio. He soon came to be known as the Flying Evangelist, and he used the planes to further expand his ministry to churches and revivals in other states and countries, often broadcasting a message from loudspeakers he had installed on the various planes he flew; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold was the founding pastor of Clays Mill Road Baptist Church in Lexington; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold was involved in a multitude of evangelical and outreach initiatives. He was a radio host who hosted the program "Preaching at Your Church," a publisher who printed a newspaper titled *The Arnold Report*, and an acclaimed author who published 16 well-received books; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold departed this earthly life and entered the kingdom of Heaven on February 16, 2015, leaving his family, friends, and all those whose lives he touched during his eight decades of preaching the Gospel in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold was preceded in death by his parents and his son, John Arnold. He is survived by his wife, Jessie Isaacs Arnold; his children, June Parker and Sue True; seven grandchildren; and many great-and great-great-grandchildren;

NOW, THEREFORE,

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***

***Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its deepest and most sincere condolences upon the passing of Dr. Louis Walker Arnold, and extends its heartfelt sympathy to his family, friends, and community in this time of loss.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving memory of Dr. Louis Walker Arnold.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit three copies of this Resolution to Jessie Isaacs Arnold, 2440 Bethel Road, Nicholasville, Kentucky 40356.