

A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving memory of Georgia Montgomery Davis Powers.

WHEREAS, Georgia Powers was born in Springfield, Kentucky on October 19, 1923; and

WHEREAS, Georgia Powers was elected to the Kentucky State Senate in 1967, becoming the first African American to be elected to that honorable body. She served five four-year terms in the Senate, focusing on legislation that affected marginalized communities and citizens; and

WHEREAS, throughout her long and storied career in politics and civil rights, Georgia Powers never forgot her beloved home town of Springfield. She returned twice to help the city establish the annual African American Heritage Festival, and in 2005 she hosted a book signing for her book *Celia's Land*; and

WHEREAS, Georgia Powers departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom of Heaven on January 30, 2016. This body stands in mourning on this day in recognition and honor of Senator Powers, and acknowledges the community of Springfield, who has lost one of its cherished daughters;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby extend their most profound condolences upon the passing of Georgia Montgomery Davis Powers, and express their 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 Georgia Montgomery Davis Powers.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Representative Kim King.