

A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving memory of Pierce Lively.

WHEREAS, Judge Pierce Lively was born in Louisville in 1921, the cherished son of Ruby Keating and Henry Thaddeus Lively; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pierce Lively was a graduate of Centre College, where he studied history and English literature, and a proud veteran of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pierce Lively studied law at the University of Virginia. After graduating in 1948, he returned to Kentucky where he clerked for Sixth Circuit Judge Shackelford Miller Jr. in Louisville. He then moved to Danville, where he practiced law for 22 years with his partner Nelson Rhodes, specializing in litigation, tax law, and business counseling; and

WHEREAS, on September 12, 1972, Judge Pierce Lively was appointed by President Richard Nixon to the Sixth Circuit, where he served as Chief Judge from 1983 to 1988. Early in his judicial career Judge Lively established himself as a champion of individual rights and civil liberties, and a number of Judge Lively's rulings were, according to his former law clerk, "an attempt to restrain governments from forcing themselves on individuals"; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pierce Lively was a longtime trustee at Centre College and a member of the Human Relations Council, the Kentucky Commission on Economy and Efficiency in Government, and the Kentucky Judicial Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pierce Lively departed this earthly life on March 12, 2016, and this honorable body stands today in mourning for this treasured son of Kentucky as it acknowledges the many contributions he made to the legal profession, the United States' Sixth Circuit, and to the people of this great Commonwealth;

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 express their most profound sympathy upon the passing of Pierce Lively, and extend heartfelt condolences to his wife, Amelia Harrington Lively, and to his entire family in this time of loss.

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

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