

A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving memory of Justin and Stephanie Shults.

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2016, three coordinated bombings rocked the Brussels capital of Belgium, killing 32 people and injuring more than 300; and

WHEREAS, two of those killed in these cowardly attacks were Justin and Stephanie Shults. Justin, a 30-year-old native of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and Stephanie, a 29-year-old native of Lexington, Kentucky, met at Vanderbilt University's Owen Graduate School of Management, were married in 2011, and had lived together in Brussels since 2014; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body joins the rest of the civilized world in honoring the lives and the legacy of this beautiful couple. Justin and Stephanie, who lived such courageous and impassioned lives, are rightfully acknowledged for all they accomplished, and for serving as a testament to the enduring vitality of the human spirit; and

WHEREAS, in so doing, the members also condemn the vile acts of terror that occurred on the morning of March 22, and sincerely hope that the outpouring of support for Justin and Stephanie Shults all across the world will continue to serve as a shining example of how hope will always defeat despair, and love will always conquer evil;

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 expresses its most profound sympathy upon the passing of Justin and Stephanie Shults, and on this day stands in silent reverie upon the tragic loss of this beautiful couple.

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

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