

A RESOLUTION honoring the Big Sandy Singers and Band and their performance in the House of Representatives chamber on February 9, 2016.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this honorable body acknowledge the artistic achievements of the Commonwealth's citizens and applaud those talents that richly add to the fabric of Kentuckians' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the Big Sandy Singers and Band are such talents. Composed of students from Big Sandy Community and Technical College, the group performs 45 shows a year and also hosts the Big Sandy Idol Regional Competition, which will celebrate its 10th anniversary this year. The program has awarded more than \$250,000 in scholarships to students, as well as providing a platform to promote the performing arts at local high schools; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Big Sandy Singers and Band are Whitley Bartley, Aynglea Stevens, Jerica Grim, Caleb Hall, William Hayes, Rebecca Risner, Bethany Runyon, Abigail Stanley, Michael Stevens, Aaron Curnutte, and Maranda Finney; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives acknowledges the talent and skill of these young musicians, and thanks them for performing in this chamber today. It also rightfully commends all those at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, including Director of Fine Arts Clayton Case and his wife, Taylor; Assistant Director Candace Kelly; Technical Assistant Brennen Meek; and President Dr. Devin Stephenson and his wife, Judy;

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 congratulate the members of the Big Sandy Singers and Band, thank all those at Big Sandy Community and Technical College for their role in mentoring these skilled musicians, and acknowledge the tireless efforts of all the teachers and administrators of Kentucky's

community and technical colleges who work so tirelessly to shape the lives of their students.

➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the Big Sandy Singers and Band.

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