

A RESOLUTION honoring Angela Young, who is the 2015 Edward M. Kennedy Advocacy Leadership Award Winner from the Arthritis Foundation.

WHEREAS, the Edward M. Kennedy Advocacy Leadership Award is given to a person who has demonstrated advocacy leadership at Arthritis Foundation events; builds relationships with state and/or federal legislators; and effectively and passionately works to raise awareness about arthritis and the Arthritis Foundation's advocacy goals; and

WHEREAS, Angela Young, the recipient of the 2015 Kennedy Award, is from Versailles, Kentucky. She has been a passionate advocate both at the state and federal level for those who suffer from arthritis, attending the Advocacy Summit four times and making Platinum Ambassador for her work; and

WHEREAS, Angela Young was responsible for two bills being introduced in 2015 in the Kentucky House of Representatives and Senate. She was instrumental in the "Cap the Copay KY" campaign and testified at a hearing in support of the bill. She also has participated in Kentucky Advocacy and Access days to meet with state representatives and to teach others about arthritis advocacy; and

WHEREAS, through her work with PR-COIN, a network of rheumatologists, nurses, therapists, social workers, and support staff, Angela Young has brought those families struggling with arthritis together to address how care is delivered to children suffering from juvenile arthritis. She has advocated on behalf of those children and their parents on social media, presenting her findings from this experience at the 2015 Advocacy Summit; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body rightfully honors Angela Young, the 2015 winner of the Edward M. Kennedy Advocacy Leadership Award; applauds her for her selfless efforts in helping those who suffer from this disease; and grants her best wishes as she continues to be a compassionate voice for those in need;

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 honor Angela Young upon being the recipient of the 2015 Edward M. Kennedy Advocacy Leadership Award, and thank her for the time, talent, and passion she has invested to this worthy cause.

➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Angela Young.

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