

A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Thomas Ray "Tommy" Simpson.

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson was born on December 10, 1938, the cherished son of the late Grand Clellon and Gracie Mae Wilkerson Simpson; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson was a farmer, a teacher, and a coach for Marion County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson was a three-year football letterman for the University of Kentucky in the early 1960's. In 1962, he was named captain of the team that would become known as " the Thin Thirty," a nickname that referred to the fact that Coach Charlie Bradshaw's preseason conditioning regimen had led to nearly 60 players quitting the team; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson was a proud member of Lebanon Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson departed this earthly life on September 21, 2015, leaving his family, friends, and community in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Simpson was preceded in death by his parents; his beloved wife, Bonnie Chelf Simpson; and his sisters, Elsie Helen Tate and Frances Wright. He is survived by his daughter, Tyra Shannon (Michael); his sons, Todd Simpson (Marty) and Troy Simpson (Julie); his brother, Wesley Simpson; his sisters, Gladys Buckler and Brenda Hickey; and his grandchildren, Tessa and Taylor Simpson, Levi and Ayla Simpson, Sydney Shannon, Logan Shannon, Devon Shannon, and Corey Shannon;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their deepest sympathy upon the passing of Thomas Ray "Tommy" Simpson, and extend heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and community in this time of loss.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving memory of Thomas Ray "Tommy" Simpson.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Jimmy Higdon for delivery.