A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of William Buckler "Bill" Peterson.

WHEREAS, William Peterson was a vital member of his community in Loretto, Kentucky, where he grew up working in the family business, Seven Sons Dairy; and

WHEREAS, William Peterson was known in his community for, among other things, fairness, honesty, life-long learning, embracing new technologies, and change; and

WHEREAS, William Peterson proudly served his community as a mailman for the United States Postal Service in Loretto for 35 years; and

WHEREAS, William Peterson founded Peterson Farms in 1946 and devoted himself to dairy farming in his early career, and later to large-scale corn, soybeans, and wheat production; and

WHEREAS, due to his enduring quest for fairness and honesty, William Peterson was able to run a successful business which received numerous local, regional, and national awards over the years; and

WHEREAS, today Peterson Farms continues to thrive under the leadership of William Peterson's sons, Bill Peterson, David Peterson, and Bernard Peterson, and grandson, Albert Peterson; and

WHEREAS, the driving forces in William Peterson's life were his faith and his family. He enjoyed a long and loving relationship with his wife, Rose Mary. William Peterson and Rose Mary were truly a team, raising eight devoted children, and further instilling their strong values in their grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2015, William Buckler "Bill" Peterson departed this earthly life and entered the kingdom of Heaven, leaving the community to which he was an integral part, his friends, and the generations of people whose lives he touched in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, William Peterson was preceded in death by his siblings, Cary Peterson, Jimmy Peterson, Nell Brahm, and Betty Hupman; his son, Paul Joseph; and his grandson, John Daniel Peterson. He was survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Rose Mary; his sons, William Peterson and his wife, Susan, Michael Peterson and his wife, Kathleen Kaiman, David Peterson and his wife, Sandy, Dominic Peterson and his wife, Eileen, and Bernard Peterson and his wife, Annette; his daughters, Sara and her husband, Mark Meltzer, Alice and her husband, Paul Munk, and Mary Rose and her husband, Charles George; 22 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Catherine Rogers and Geraldine Peterson; and his brothers, Rev. Gerald Peterson, Rev. George Peterson, Rev. Harry Peterson, and Bobby Peterson;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- → Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its most profound and sincere condolences upon the passing of William Buckler "Bill" Peterson, and extends its heartfelt sympathy 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 William Buckler "Bill" Peterson.
- → Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Jimmy Higdon for delivery.