A RESOLUTION honoring Lewis County Sheriff Johnny Bivens upon being named Sheriff of the Year by the Kentucky Sheriff's Association.

WHEREAS, Johnny Bivens has served as Sheriff of Lewis County since 2011; and WHEREAS, a proud graduate of Lewis County High School, Sheriff Bivens served as Deputy Sheriff before being sworn in as Sheriff, and as the chief law enforcement officer in his community he has been instrumental in Lewis County's ongoing fight against the drug epidemic; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Bivens has been rightfully commended for his years of exemplary service, earning the Governor's Award for Outstanding Performance in Law Enforcement for five consecutive years beginning in 1999, and receiving several certificates of appreciation from local community groups for his dedication to combating drug abuse and his many crime prevention awareness efforts; and

WHEREAS, at the recent Kentucky Sheriff's Association's annual convention in Owensboro, Kentucky, Sheriff Bivens was named Sheriff of the Year, an award that epitomizes the extraordinary work he has accomplished in Lewis County and his relentless pursuit of the common good; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body congratulates Sheriff Bivens on this day for being named Sheriff of the Year, duly acknowledges his years of service to Lewis County and his fearless devotion to the citizens he has sworn to protect, and grants him best wishes as he continues to serve as a shining example of this Commonwealth's law enforcement community;

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 honor Lewis County Sheriff Johnny Bivens for being named Sheriff of the Year by the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, and applaud him for his selflessness, courage, and valor.

- → Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Lewis County Sheriff Johnny Bivens.
- → Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Stephen West for delivery.