

A RESOLUTION honoring the Bell House in Metcalfe County upon being named to the National Register of Historic Places.

WHEREAS, the Bell House was built over a two-year period beginning in 1907 and was designed by architect Albert Killian of Owensboro, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the house, which merges Queen Anne with Free Classical and late Victorian architectural styles, was one of the first homes in Metcalfe County to be wired for electricity; and

WHEREAS, in early 2016, the Bell House was approved by the United States Department of the Interior to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, Eric and Ellen Gregory have been renovating the home, which has been in Mrs. Gregory's family for years and holds a special place in her heart. Before the couple began their work, the house had not been updated since 1908; and

WHEREAS, in the cellar of the Bell House, the Gregorys found more than a thousand Ball jars. Dubbed "Jarmageddon," the jars have found a market with jar collectors across the country, and the money the Gregorys make from the jars is put toward further renovations of the home itself; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body rightfully acknowledges the Bell House of Metcalfe County upon being named to the National Register of Historic Places, and in so doing the members commend Eric and Ellen Gregory for their dedication to this special piece of the Commonwealth's history and grant them best wishes as they continue to renovate one of Metcalfe County's true treasures;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Senate hereby honors the Bell House of Metcalfe County upon being named to the National Register of Historic Places.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the Bell

House.

→Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator David P. Givens for delivery.