

1           A RESOLUTION recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Kentucky Beverage  
2 Association, whose members represent the refreshing, nonalcoholic beverage industry in  
3 Kentucky.

4           WHEREAS, nonalcoholic beverage companies have been producing delicious  
5 beverages since 1901; and

6           WHEREAS, the nonalcoholic beverage industry has been a significant part of the  
7 economic, social, and cultural heritage of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the local  
8 communities which it serves; and

9           WHEREAS, the beverage industry has grown to include soft drinks, diet soft  
10 drinks, bottled water, fruit juices, ready-to-drink teas, sports drinks, and energy drinks,  
11 among other variations in order to meet the demands of customers; and

12           WHEREAS, the nonalcoholic beverage industry employs nearly 4,000 people in 34  
13 facilities across the Commonwealth; and

14           WHEREAS, the products Kentucky beverage companies produce benefit local  
15 businesses and lead to an additional 13,000 jobs in the Commonwealth; and

16           WHEREAS, the nonalcoholic beverage industry has a direct economic impact on  
17 the Commonwealth of \$2.6 billion; and

18           WHEREAS, \$438.9 million of taxes are generated at the state and federal level  
19 from Kentucky nonalcoholic beverage companies; and

20           WHEREAS, Kentucky beverage companies and their employees generously  
21 contribute \$16.1 million to charitable causes across the Commonwealth; and

22           WHEREAS, Kentucky's beverage companies are American companies, making  
23 American products, in America's hometowns;

24           NOW, THEREFORE,

25 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***  
26 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

27           ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives hereby honors the Kentucky Beverage

1 Association and its member companies for 100 years of positive impact throughout the  
2 Commonwealth and for the impact they have made on the economic, social, and cultural  
3 heritage of Kentucky.

4 ➔Section 2. The House of Representatives joins the Kentucky Beverage  
5 Association, its member companies, and their employees, retirees, suppliers, many  
6 customers, and friends in recognizing the industry's impact and commemorating and  
7 celebrating its 100th anniversary year in Kentucky.

8 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a  
9 copy of this Resolution to Representative Jonathan Shell for delivery.