

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Dr.
2 William Taylor "Bill" Simpson Jr.

3 WHEREAS, born in Newnan, Georgia, in 1927, Dr. Simpson went on to become a
4 standout athlete at Davidson College before leaving to serve his country for the United
5 States Navy in World War II; and

6 WHEREAS, upon his return to the United States, Dr. Simpson graduated from
7 college and then moved to Kentucky to teach at the Kentucky Military Institute (KMI);
8 and

9 WHEREAS, while at KMI, Dr. Simpson coached basketball for 25 years,
10 completing his master's at the University of Louisville and his Ph.D. at the University of
11 Kentucky in 1964; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Simpson served as president of KMI until its closure in 1976, and
13 then moved to Citizens Fidelity Bank, where he served as senior vice president and head
14 of the trust and investments department until his retirement in 1992; and

15 WHEREAS, after his retirement, Dr. Simpson served as a private banking
16 consultant to PNC and was on the board of directors of the Rembrandt Fund, a Chicago
17 mutual fund company, for 10 years. He also served on the boards of directors of the
18 Louisville Community Foundation, the American Red Cross Louisville Chapter of the
19 Bingham Child Guidance Center, the Kentucky Home Council of the Boy Scouts of
20 America, and many other charitable and civic organizations in this Commonwealth; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Simpson served on the vestry at St. Francis Church and later
22 joined St. Matthews Episcopal Church; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. William Taylor "Bill" Simpson, beloved husband, father,
24 grandfather, and brother, departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom of
25 Heaven on February 6, 2017, leaving his family, friends, and all those whose lives he
26 touched in solemn mourning; and

27 WHEREAS, Dr. Simpson was preceded in death by his sister, Rebecca; brother,

1 David; and wife, Diane. He is survived by his sons, Kennedy and his wife, Sara,
2 Richmond and his wife, Susan, and Taylor and his wife, Melinda; grandchildren, Tierney
3 Jutzi (Joe), Storey O'Barr (David), Blair Bell (Dustin), Will Simpson, Palmer Simpson,
4 Maclin Simpson, Ryan Simpson, and Darcy Simpson; great-grandchildren, Emery and
5 Grayson O'Barr; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones who will
6 dearly miss his presence in their lives;

7 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

10 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their most profound
11 sympathy upon the passing of Dr. William Taylor "Bill" Simpson Jr., and extend heartfelt
12 condolences to his family, friends, and community in this time of loss.

13 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
14 memory of Dr. William Taylor "Bill" Simpson Jr.

15 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
16 Resolution to Senator Dorsey Ridley for delivery to the family.