

1 A RESOLUTION commending the Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling, Inc.,  
2 for 20 years of service to the Commonwealth.

3 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. (KYCPG), a  
4 nonprofit Kentucky corporation, will present the 20th Annual Educational and Awareness  
5 Conference on Problem Gambling February 9-10, 2017; and

6 WHEREAS, KYCPG has raised awareness of problem gambling as a public health  
7 issue by facilitating activities supported by the Kentucky Department for Behavioral  
8 Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities; the Kentucky Department of  
9 Charitable Gaming; the Kentucky Lottery Corporation; Churchill Downs, Inc.; Ellis Park;  
10 Keeneland Race Course; Kentucky Downs; The Red Mile; Turfway Park; behavioral  
11 health counselors; and those recovering from gambling addiction and their families; and

12 WHEREAS, KYCPG educational programs have trained more than 200 counselors  
13 on problem gambling treatment, with 15 having achieved certified gambler counselor  
14 status; and

15 WHEREAS, KYCPG sponsors of the 1-800-GAMBLER helpline, enhanced in  
16 2016 with text and chat services, which has responded to thousands of calls, averaging  
17 approximately 30 calls per month providing a reportable service such as referral to  
18 Gamblers Anonymous or a certified gambler counselor; and

19 WHEREAS, KYCPG has spearheaded annual efforts during National Problem  
20 Gambling Awareness Month and Responsible Gaming Education Week that have resulted  
21 in creation and statewide distribution of awareness posters, brochures, rack cards,  
22 business cards, and pamphlets on problem and addicted gambling, including an awareness  
23 curriculum for middle and high school youth;

24 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

27 ➔Section 1. This honorable body proudly recognizes the Kentucky Council on

1 Problem Gambling, Inc., for 20 years of continuous, exemplary service to the citizens of  
2 the Commonwealth in provision of education, prevention, and treatment of gambling  
3 problems.

4       ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
5 Resolution to Michael Stone, Executive Director, KYCPG, P.O. Box 4595, Frankfort,  
6 Kentucky 40604-4595.