

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving
2 memory of Sister Mary Jeanne Frances Cleves.

3 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances was born in Covington, Kentucky, on
4 August 10, 1934, to the late Edgar and Regina Cleves to a large family with seven other
5 brothers and sisters; and

6 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances desired to become a nurse from a very
7 early age and felt the pull to give her life to God in order to help others. At the age of 19,
8 she joined the Sisters of Notre Dame and made her profession of vows on August 22,
9 1955; and

10 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances attended Saint Frances Central School of
11 Nursing and obtained her degree as a Licensed Practical Nurse in 1961; and

12 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances served at Lourdes Hall Care Center, St.
13 Charles Care Center in Covington, Kentucky. Then, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances followed
14 her call and desire to serve in missions. In 1977, she ministered at a hospital in
15 Pekalongan, Indonesia for five years as a nurse before she returned to the people of
16 Eastern Kentucky and what she called her home, St. Claire HealthCare in Morehead,
17 Kentucky. She was one of the first sisters at St. Claire when it opened in 1963 and
18 touched countless lives in her 45 years of ministry there; and

19 WHEREAS, Congressman Hal Rogers honored Sister Mary Jeanne Frances in 2016
20 with his Difference Maker Award for her dedication to healthcare in the Morehead,
21 Kentucky region; and

22 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances retired in December of 2016 to Lourdes
23 Hall Care Center where she continued to enliven those around her by her many stories of
24 past ministries, enthusiasm, and genuine love for those she served; and

25 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances departed this earthly life for her Heavenly
26 reward on March 17, 2018, surrounded by her family and sisters; and

27 WHEREAS, Sister Mary Jeanne Frances was preceded in death by her parents, her

1 sister, Sister Mary Virginia Ann Cleves, SND; and her brothers, Father Simeon, OFM,
2 Deacon Joseph, William, and John Cleves. She is survived by her brothers, Edgar, Jr. and
3 Charles Cleves; and many beloved nieces and nephews;

4 NOW, THEREFORE,

5 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
6 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

7 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby express their
8 most profound sympathies upon the passing of Sister Mary Jeanne Frances Cleves and
9 offer heartfelt sympathies to her family, her friends, and her community for their loss.

10 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
11 honor and loving memory of Sister Mary Jeanne Frances Cleves.

12 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
13 copy of this Resolution to Representative Rocky Adkins for delivery.