

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving
2 memory of Kay Harrod.

3 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod was a daughter of this Commonwealth, having been born
4 in Frankfort on January 10, 1949, to the late Miles and Lillian Crittenden Harrod; and

5 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod was a proud 1967 graduate of Frankfort High School and
6 a 1971 graduate of Western Kentucky University, where she studied history and
7 journalism before going on to Georgetown College to earn her master's degree in
8 education; and

9 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod spent most of her professional life in State Government,
10 including a stint as executive assistant to the First Lady of Kentucky, and it was in that
11 capacity that she would become involved with breast cancer research and would assist in
12 the legislative funding for the Ovarian Cancer Research Program at the University of
13 Kentucky; and

14 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod would ultimately return to her greatest passion outside of
15 her family and friends, and that was writing. Beginning her career in journalism with the
16 Orlando *Sentinel Star*, she had written columns and other features for the *State Journal*
17 since 2005. Her unwavering curiosity about the world and her deep and abiding respect
18 for all people never failed to show up in her writing, and her columns enlightened readers
19 who looked to her words for inspiration, wit, and the trademark generosity with which
20 she lived her life; and

21 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod, gifted educator, writer, and pillar of the Frankfort
22 community, departed this earthly life on January 1, 2018, leaving her family, friends, and
23 all those whose lives she touched in solemn mourning; and

24 WHEREAS, Kay Harrod was preceded in death by her parents; nephew, Steven
25 Donald Dearborn; and foster daughter, Elaine Aurora Riehl. She is survived by her sister,
26 Peggy Harrod Meyer and her husband, Robert; nephew, Kenneth Miles Dearborn and his
27 wife, Stacy; great-nephews, Eric Miles, Evan Dee, and Eli Reed; and a host of other

1 family members, friends, and loved ones who will dearly miss her presence in their lives;

2 NOW, THEREFORE,

3 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
4 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

5 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby express their
6 most profound sympathy upon the passing of Kay Harrod, and extend heartfelt
7 condolences to her family, friends, and community in this time of loss.

8 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
9 honor and loving memory of Kay Harrod.

10 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
11 copy of this Resolution to Representative Derrick Graham for delivery to the family.