

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Kentucky Educational Television.

2 WHEREAS, Kentucky Educational Television was established by the General  
3 Assembly as part of Kentucky's quest for excellence in education recognizing the  
4 importance of expanding learning opportunities for all Kentuckians; and

5 WHEREAS, since its first broadcast on September 23, 1968, KET has remained  
6 committed to lifelong learning that is so essential to Kentucky's growth and progress; and

7 WHEREAS, now in its 50th anniversary year, KET is utilized in every public  
8 school and by more than one million people each week. KET is Kentucky's only statewide  
9 broadcasting network, accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year,  
10 connecting communities across the Commonwealth; and

11 WHEREAS, through its 16 transmitters and tower sites located across the  
12 Commonwealth, KET plays a critically important role in Kentucky's public safety  
13 network and support for emergency responders and law enforcement, including the State  
14 Police, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Federal Bureau of  
15 Investigation, the Kentucky Emergency Warning System, and others; and

16 WHEREAS, with its educational programs and resources, KET provides an  
17 efficient and equitable way to help overcome geographic barriers and economic  
18 disparities throughout Kentucky by providing all Kentuckians access to its high-quality  
19 services; and

20 WHEREAS, an educated workforce is vital for Kentucky's growth and prosperity.  
21 KET is the nation's largest non-profit GED education publisher and is the producer of  
22 Workplace Essential Skills, the nation's first instructional media-based series addressing  
23 workforce needs; and

24 WHEREAS, KET creates public affairs programs and convenes conversations  
25 focused on important issues and concerns, such as the opioid crisis and the workforce  
26 skills gap, as well as cultural programs that celebrate Kentucky's rich history and  
27 uniqueness; and

1           WHEREAS, this season marks KET's 40th year of comprehensive coverage of the  
2 Kentucky General Assembly, a service that helps connect the people of the  
3 Commonwealth to their government; and

4           WHEREAS, this body recognizes the important role and promise KET continues to  
5 have in building a brighter future and improving the quality of life for Kentuckians. The  
6 body also congratulates and expresses its gratitude for 50 years of service to the  
7 Commonwealth of Kentucky;

8           NOW, THEREFORE,

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

11           ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby honor Kentucky Educational  
12 Television.

13           ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of and  
14 gratitude to Kentucky Educational Television.

15           ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
16 Resolution to Senator Alice Forgy Kerr.