

1 A RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to support federal legislation
2 in advancement of the Appalachian Storage Hub.

3 WHEREAS, the central Appalachian region contains world-class supplies of natural
4 gas and natural gas liquids that contribute to the United States' energy dominance; and

5 WHEREAS, harnessing those supplies by constructing an Appalachian Storage Hub
6 constitutes a major infrastructure investment and jobs program for residents of the
7 Appalachian region; and

8 WHEREAS, natural gas liquids are a major feedstock of the chemical industry and
9 the Appalachian region contains enough feedstock to attract \$35 billion in new chemical
10 and plastics industry investment; and

11 WHEREAS, chemical and plastics industry investments of this scale could create
12 100,000 new jobs, \$28 billion in new economic output, more than \$6 billion in annual
13 payroll, and nearly \$3 billion a year in new federal, state, and local tax revenue; and

14 WHEREAS, a petrochemical feedstock storage hub located in the heart of the
15 Appalachian region could support major energy, infrastructure, and job creation
16 opportunities; and

17 WHEREAS, the federal "Appalachian Energy and Manufacturing Infrastructure
18 Revitalization Act," S. 1340 which is before the 115th Congress, would establish needed
19 reforms in energy infrastructure permitting through which the Secretary of Energy and
20 Secretary of Commerce could implement a streamlined process, with public involvement,
21 to approve energy infrastructure projects; and

22 WHEREAS, the federal "Appalachian Ethane Storage Hub Study Act," S. 1075 and
23 H.R. 2568, both before the 115th Congress, would help assess the feasibility and potential
24 benefits of establishing an ethane storage and distribution hub in the Marcellus, Utica,
25 and Rogersville shale plays in the central Appalachian region; and

26 WHEREAS, the federal "Capitalizing on American Storage Potential Act," S. 1337
27 and H.R. 3143, both before the 115th Congress, would amend the Energy Policy Act of

1 2005 to extend the Department of Energy's existing loan guarantee program to regional
2 strategic energy infrastructure projects that support a more effective energy market
3 performance and that have the potential to significantly contribute to the economic
4 resilience of the region in which a project is located; and

5 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, along with its central Appalachian
6 partner states, could benefit greatly from the passage of these federal measures;

7 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

10 ➔Section 1. The Kentucky Senate urges the United States Congress to support the
11 "Appalachian Energy and Manufacturing Infrastructure Revitalization Act," S.1340, the
12 "Appalachian Ethane Storage Hub Study Act," S. 1075 and H.R. 2568, and the
13 "Capitalizing on American Storage Potential Act," S. 1337 and H.R. 3143.

14 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate shall send a copy of this Resolution and
15 notification of its adoption to the President of the United States of America, the United
16 State Secretary of Energy, and the members of the Congressional delegations of the states
17 of Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia.