

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Transportation Cabinet to erect signs in
2 Laurel County that proclaim Laurel County as the home of the 2006 to 2018 Garrard
3 County Tobacco Cutting Contest Champion Alvin Stamper.

4 WHEREAS, in 1982, the first Garrard County Tobacco Cutting Contest was held;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, the yearly event is sponsored by the Garrard County Tobacco
7 Committee and local businesses and attracts from 375 to over 600 attendees; and

8 WHEREAS, in the contest, there are two judges per tobacco row who walk and
9 count the cutter's sticks, stalks, and fallen sticks; and

10 WHEREAS, there are two timekeepers to track the cutter's time; and

11 WHEREAS, Alvin Stamper of London, Kentucky, entered into the contest for the
12 first time and won in 2004; and

13 WHEREAS, since 2006, Alvin Stamper has won the contest every year, with his
14 thirteenth win being in September 2018, where he won by cutting 4.918 sticks per minute,
15 and received a commemorative plaque along with \$500 prize money;

16 NOW, THEREFORE,

17 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

18 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor Alvin Stamper by
19 placing honorary signs in Laurel County, with the location to be determined by the
20 Highway District 11 Chief District Engineer, which read "Home of the 2006 to 2018
21 Garrard County Tobacco Cutting Champion, Alvin Stamper." The signs erected under
22 this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.