

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

2 WHEREAS, this body pays special recognition and honor to the Kentucky Folk Art
3 Center for developing and assembling a collection of folk art produced in Kentucky, as
4 well as a related library and a priceless and unique folk art archive; and

5 WHEREAS, Kentucky folk art profiles the extraordinary creative reflections of
6 ordinary people in the Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, folk art is widely acknowledged as a vital and essential aspect of
8 American culture; and

9 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center contains, protects, and preserves the
10 premier collection of Kentucky folk art from early in the 20th century until the present
11 day; and

12 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center's collection embodies the cultural and
13 historical identity of Kentucky; and

14 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center holds its collection in the public trust
15 for the cultural and educational benefit of present and future generations of Kentuckians;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center's collection has been assembled since
18 the mid-1980s through grassroots collecting by its museum staff and through the generous
19 donations of scores of individual benefactors and donors; and

20 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center is recognized nationally for taking a
21 comprehensive and innovative approach to one of Kentucky's most important cultural
22 assets; and

23 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Folk Art Center has been acclaimed by *The Christian*
24 *Science Monitor* as "a Rosetta Stone for understanding the evolution of American folk
25 art"; and

26 WHEREAS, this body acknowledges all those that had the foresight to assemble,
27 conserve, and protect this collection so that for decades to come, anyone can gain insight

1 into the cultural heritage of the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;

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 recognize and
6 honor the Kentucky Folk Art Center and acknowledge the Center's collection as an
7 invaluable cultural treasure of Kentucky.

8 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
9 honor of the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

10 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
11 copy of this Resolution to Representative Rocky Adkins.