

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving
2 memory of John Mason Rucker and Irene Whitehouse Rucker.

3 WHEREAS, John Mason Rucker and Irene Whitehouse Rucker, beloved husband
4 and wife for 72 years, passed away within a week of one another surrounded by their
5 family; and

6 WHEREAS, John Mason and Irene were proud members of Spencer Christian
7 Church. Irene was a homemaker and John Mason was a farmer who worked at GE for 29
8 years before his retirement. A Boy Scout leader and former elder at Mt. Eden Christian
9 Church, Mr. Rucker was a veteran of the United States Army who served in World War
10 II, and was the recipient of the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, a Bronze Star, and
11 the Combat Infantry Badge; and

12 WHEREAS, John Mason Rucker departed this earthly life and entered into the
13 kingdom of Heaven on December 8, 2018, and Irene Whitehouse Rucker departed on
14 December 13, 2018, leaving all those whose lives they touched in solemn mourning; and

15 WHEREAS, John Mason Rucker was preceded in death by his parents, Bennie and
16 Georgia Shaw Rucker, and siblings, Ada Heightchew, Lucille Adams, Williana Simpson,
17 Calvin Rucker, and Odella Dickie. Irene Whitehouse Rucker was preceded in death by
18 her cherished husband; parents, J. Hubert and Katherine Simpson Whitehouse; and
19 brothers, Harold and J.W. Whitehouse. The Ruckers are survived by their son, Eldon
20 Rucker (Dianne); daughters, Darleen Woods (Larry) and Relda Kerr (Tony);
21 grandchildren, Rhonda Klayer (Glenn), Jason Woods (Anita), Stephanie Monroe (Scott),
22 John Rucker (Jennifer), Nathan Shouse, and Kassi King; five great-grandchildren; two
23 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones
24 who will dearly miss their presence in their lives;

25 NOW, THEREFORE,

26 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
27 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

1 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby express their
2 most profound sympathy upon the passing of John Mason Rucker and Irene Whitehouse
3 Rucker, and extend heartfelt sympathy to their family, friends, and community in this
4 time of loss.

5 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
6 honor and loving memory of John Mason Rucker and Irene Whitehouse Rucker.

7 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
8 copy of this Resolution to Representative James Tipton for delivery to the family.