

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the John Stephen Asher Memorial highway in
2 Grayson County.

3 WHEREAS, John Stephen Asher was a proud resident of Louisville, Kentucky; and

4 WHEREAS, born in Leitchfield, Kentucky, John Asher was a graduate of Western
5 Kentucky University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in journalism; and

6 WHEREAS, John Asher was the longtime vice president of racing communications
7 at Churchill Downs. A former award-winning journalist, he was known for his legendary
8 knowledge of horse racing history and his insatiable curiosity about the world around
9 him; and

10 WHEREAS, John Asher joined Churchill Downs in 1997 and had served as vice
11 president of racing communications since 1999. He came to the track after winning five
12 Eclipse Awards for his reportage on thoroughbred racing; and

13 WHEREAS, John Stephen Asher, tireless ambassador for the sport of kings and
14 beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother, departed this earthly life on August 27,
15 2018, leaving his family, friends, and all those whose lives he touched in solemn
16 mourning; and

17 WHEREAS, John Asher's love of Thoroughbred racing and its greatest event has
18 earned him a special place in the history and culture of our state, and recognition of his
19 life and accomplishments is appropriate;

20 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

22 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 259 in
23 Grayson County, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 3155, to the Breckenridge
24 County line, as the "John Stephen Asher Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of
25 the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.