

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Georgetown College upon its 190th year in existence.

2 WHEREAS, Georgetown College was founded in 1829, when the Kentucky
3 General Assembly chartered the Kentucky Baptist Education Society with the purpose of
4 establishing a Baptist college in the Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, after a series of false starts, Rev. Rockwood Giddings was named
6 fourth president of Georgetown College in 1838, and it was Rev. Giddings who would
7 begin construction of Recitation Hall, the school's first permanent building, and
8 spearhead many other initiatives that would prepare the college for the future; and

9 WHEREAS, in the 20th century, Georgetown College saw steady growth. The
10 enrollment was at 1,397 students in 1958, and the 1960s and 1970s saw several new
11 academic buildings and dormitories to accommodate the steady rise in enrollment and
12 academic programs; and

13 WHEREAS, in 2005, Georgetown College and the Kentucky Baptist Convention
14 redefined their formal relationship, reverting to the original arrangement with the
15 Kentucky Baptists, and it is this faith partnership that has helped Georgetown to become
16 one of the shining jewels of higher learning in this Commonwealth; and

17 WHEREAS, in this spirit, this august body honors the students, faculty, and
18 administration of Georgetown College; and

19 WHEREAS, in so doing, the members acknowledge Georgetown's ongoing
20 commitment to excellence, commend the faith-based education Georgetown students
21 continue to receive 190 years after the school's formation, and acknowledge the men and
22 women who have helped Georgetown become one of Kentucky's pre-eminent colleges;

23 NOW, THEREFORE,

24 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***
25 ***Kentucky:***

26 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby honor Georgetown College upon
27 its 190th year in existence, and grant best wishes to the current students, faculty, and

1 administration of the college.

2 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of
3 Georgetown College.

4 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
5 Resolution to Mr. H.K. Kingkade, Associate VP for Marketing, Communications and
6 Church Relations, 400 E. College St., Georgetown, Kentucky 40324.