

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor and loving
2 memory of Michael Dean Bowling.

3 WHEREAS, Michael Dean Bowling was born in Yokohama, Japan, on February
4 27, 1956, the cherished son of the late Major Charles Edward and Sieglinde Freudenstein
5 Bowling; and

6 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling was a graduate of the University of Kentucky and
7 the Northern Kentucky University Chase School of Law. A veteran of the United States
8 Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, he built a thriving law practice in Middlesboro,
9 Kentucky, and remained throughout his life a dedicated public servant and staunch
10 advocate for the citizens of his beloved home community; and

11 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling served as Middlesboro City Attorney and attorney
12 for the Bell County Board of Education, and was a member of the Kentucky Board of
13 Education and chair of the Pine Mountain Regional Industrial Authority; and

14 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling proudly served this Commonwealth as State
15 Representative of the 87th District. During his time as a member of this august body,
16 Representative Bowling served as chair of the House of Judiciary Committee; and

17 WHEREAS, a member of the Kentucky Public Advocacy Commission, Michael
18 Bowling was a passionate supporter of the Kadasha Foundation, a Christian ministry
19 funding heart surgeries and orphanages in Haiti; and

20 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling was the worthy recipient of the Arthur Von Briesen
21 Award from the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, and was a champion of
22 Southeast Community and Technical School and the Appalachian Wildlife Foundation;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling, skilled attorney; American patriot; esteemed former
25 member of this House of Representatives; and cherished husband, father, grandfather, and
26 brother, departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom of Heaven on February 20,
27 2021, leaving all those whose lives he touched in solemn mourning; and

1 WHEREAS, Michael Bowling is survived by his wife of 42 years, Jamie Shoffner
2 Bowling; children, Ashley Kraska (Richard), Kentucky State Representative Adam
3 Bowling (Becky), and Blake Bowling (Taylor); grandchildren, Everly, Elizabeth (Ellie),
4 Emerson (Emma), Harrison, and William; brothers, Bryan Bowling and Robert (Karla)
5 Bowling; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones who will dearly
6 miss his presence in their lives;

7 NOW, THEREFORE,

8 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
9 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

10 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives, both individually and
11 collectively, hereby express their most profound sympathy upon the passing of former
12 Kentucky State Representative Michael Dean Bowling; and extend heartfelt condolences
13 to their colleague in the House, Representative Adam Bowling, in this time of loss.

14 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
15 honor and loving memory of Michael Dean Bowling.

16 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House is directed to transmit a copy of this
17 Resolution to Representative Derek Lewis.