

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Walter
2 Terry McBrayer.

3 WHEREAS, Walter Terry McBrayer was born in Ironton, Ohio, on September 1,
4 1937, to the late Ward and Ethel McBrayer; and

5 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer proudly served this Commonwealth as a five-term
6 member of the Kentucky House of Representatives. Beginning his service in 1976, he
7 became Speaker *Pro Tempore* and Majority Leader, and went on to head the Kentucky
8 Democratic Party and serve as President Bill Clinton's Kentucky Representative; and

9 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer began his law practice above a grocery store in
10 Greenup, Kentucky, in 1963 alongside his sister, Phyllis. That firm would go on to
11 become McBrayer PLLC, and would in turn pave the way for the founding of MML&K
12 Government Solutions in Frankfort, a firm that sustains Terry McBrayer's unique,
13 powerful vision to this day; and

14 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer served the Commonwealth in myriad ways and in
15 several capacities, including as the founder of the State Capital Group in 1989 and as a
16 member of the Kentucky Department of Commerce, the Kentucky Housing Corporation,
17 Greater Lexington Chamber of Commerce, the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals, and
18 several other commissions and boards; and

19 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer was the recipient of the John F. Kennedy Award, the
20 Hubert Humphrey Award, and was named an Outstanding Alumnus of Morehead State
21 University and the University of Louisville School of Law; and

22 WHEREAS, a tireless volunteer and advocate for those less fortunate, Terry
23 McBrayer gave his time and talent to such organizations as the Jaycees, the Lions Club,
24 the Boy Scouts, the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees, Kentucky Educational
25 Television, Central Kentucky Blood Center, and various other organizations in his
26 beloved hometown of Greenup and across this Commonwealth; and

27 WHEREAS, a steward of God, Terry McBrayer grew up in Greenup Christian

1 Church and later in life attended Tates Creek Christian Church in Lexington; and

2 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer, esteemed Kentucky lawmaker, attorney, and political
3 trailblazer; and cherished father, grandfather, and brother, departed this earthly life after a
4 courageous five-year battle with cancer on October 11, 2020, leaving all those whose
5 lives he touched in solemn mourning; and

6 WHEREAS, Terry McBrayer is survived by his children, Sarah McBrayer Savarie
7 and John Lawton McBrayer; sister, Judy McBrayer Campbell; grandchildren, Alex
8 McBrayer, Mina McBrayer, Odin McBrayer, Beatrice Savarie, and Lucy Savarie; first
9 wife and friend, Mary Ware; and special friend, Kaye Bowles-Durnell;

10 NOW, THEREFORE,

11 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
12 *Kentucky:*

13 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its most profound sympathy upon the
14 passing of Walter Terry McBrayer, and posthumously thanks him for his many
15 contributions to the Kentucky General Assembly and to the legal profession in this
16 Commonwealth.

17 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
18 memory of Walter Terry McBrayer.

19 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
20 Resolution to 201 East Main Street, Suite 900, Lexington, Kentucky 40507.