

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Ralph
2 Warren Marcum.

3 WHEREAS, Ralph Warren Marcum was a son of this Commonwealth, having been
4 born in Sand Gap on April 11, 1937, to the late Delbert and Bertha Marcum; and

5 WHEREAS, Ralph Marcum was raised in the Sand Gap Christian Church and was
6 a member of the Indiana Creek Baptist Church; and

7 WHEREAS, a renowned hunter, archer, educator, rifle maker, musician, writer,
8 photographer, historical reenactor, and car and motorcycle enthusiast, Ralph Marcum was
9 a true original who left an indelible mark on all who were lucky to share adventures with
10 him; and

11 WHEREAS, Ralph Marcum departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom
12 of Heaven on January 19, 2021, leaving all those whose lives he touched in solemn
13 mourning; and

14 WHEREAS, Ralph Marcum is survived by his wife, Mertie Marcum; daughter,
15 Tonya Combs and her husband, Dion; and grandson, Dalton Combs. His cousin, Shane
16 Combs, was like a son to him, and another cousin, James Marcum, was a close friend,
17 companion, and fellow leatherworker. Jessie Bowman, Ralph's nephew, was also like a
18 son to Ralph, and Roger Dale "Pete" Powell was an esteemed colleague who aided Ralph
19 on several restoration projects;

20 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

23 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its most profound sympathy upon the
24 passing of Ralph Warren Marcum, and posthumously acknowledges the pioneer spirit
25 with which Mr. Marcum lived his extraordinary life and the enduring mark he left on all
26 those who were so fortunate to call him a friend and mentor.

27 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving

- 1 memory of Ralph Warren Marcum.
- 2 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
- 3 Resolution to Senator Brandon J. Storm for delivery to the family.