

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the President of the United States to
2 issue an executive order to remove the federally mandated reformulated gasoline
3 requirements for all affected areas nationwide, including Jefferson County and parts of
4 Bullitt and Oldham Counties, for the remainder of 2022.

5 WHEREAS, pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act (Act) as amended, 42 U.S.C.
6 secs. 7401 et seq., the Commonwealth of Kentucky is required to prepare and submit to
7 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a state implementation plan and revisions to
8 such plan as appropriate to attain and maintain the National Ambient Air Quality
9 Standards (NAAQS) and protect human health; and

10 WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS Chapter 224, the Energy and Environment Cabinet
11 (cabinet) is designated as the air pollution control agency of this Commonwealth for all
12 purposes of the Act; and

13 WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS Chapter 77, the air pollution control district (district)
14 is authorized to control air pollution in Jefferson County; and

15 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Air Pollution Control Commission granted concurrent
16 jurisdiction to the district on January 26, 1971; and

17 WHEREAS, the intent of the cabinet and the district is to operate an effective air
18 pollution control program in Jefferson County as authorized under KRS Chapters 77 and
19 224 through joint implementation of necessary control strategies; and

20 WHEREAS, Governor Brereton Jones, through a letter dated September 29, 1993,
21 opted into the federal reformulated gasoline requirements effective January 1, 1995; and

22 WHEREAS, the EPA mandated improved quality in conventional gasoline
23 beginning in 2011; and

24 WHEREAS, consequently, the environmental benefits of reformulated gasoline
25 compared to conventional gasoline no longer provide as significant of an environmental
26 benefit as in the past; and

27 WHEREAS, last year, reformulated gas was consistently 30 to 35 cents more

1 expensive than conventional gas. In mid-October, reformulated gasoline was about 46
2 cents more expensive than conventional gasoline; and

3 WHEREAS, the national average price of gasoline is currently at a historic level of
4 \$4.32 per gallon. There are fears that there is no end in sight as the current United States
5 inflation rate is at 7.5%, the highest since 1982;

6 NOW, THEREFORE,

7 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
8 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Senate concurring therein:***

9 ➔Section 1. The General Assembly hereby urges President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.,
10 through executive order and for the remainder of the calendar year, to remove the
11 federally mandated reformulated gasoline requirements not only for Jefferson County and
12 parts of Bullitt and Oldham Counties, but for citizens nationwide.

13 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit
14 copies of this Resolution to: the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., President of the United
15 States, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20500; Michael S. Regan,
16 Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, 1101A, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue,
17 N.W., Washington, DC 20460; and each member of the Kentucky congressional
18 delegation.