

1           A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Larry  
2 Brent Yonts.

3           WHEREAS, it is with great sadness and solemn resolve that the members of this  
4 august body honor their former colleague in the Kentucky General Assembly, Larry Brent  
5 Yonts; and

6           WHEREAS, Brent Yonts was a son of this Commonwealth, having been born in  
7 Greenville in 1949, the cherished son of the late Larry and Dorothy Yonts; and

8           WHEREAS, a proud graduate of Muhlenberg Central High School, he went on to  
9 graduate from Murray State University in 1971 before joining the United States Army in  
10 that same year; and

11           WHEREAS, after receiving his Juris Doctor degree from the University of  
12 Kentucky, he practiced law with a focus on black lung cases for several years before  
13 successfully winning a seat in the Kentucky House of Representatives; and

14           WHEREAS, representing House District 15 from 1997 until 2016, Representative  
15 Yonts advocated for his constituents with his trademark compassion, expertise, and  
16 incomparable work ethic; and

17           WHEREAS, Brent Yonts was a member of the First Baptist Church, where he  
18 served as treasurer and deacon for several years; and

19           WHEREAS, this body holds in highest esteem those Kentuckians who represented  
20 their communities as public servants, and in this spirit the members posthumously honor  
21 former Representative Brent Yonts on this day, for his two decades of service to the  
22 citizens of Muhlenberg and Hopkins Counties; and

23           WHEREAS, Brent Yonts is survived by his wife of 45 years, Janice Covington  
24 Yonts; children, Emily (Chris) Sparks, Ellen (Dave) Suetholz, and Harrison (Kindly)  
25 Yonts; grandchildren, Colson, Cooper, Phoebe, and Fiona; siblings, Joel (Vicki) Yonts,  
26 Jeff (Sharon) Yonts, and Susan (Scott) Wells; and a host of other family members,  
27 friends, and loved ones who will dearly miss his presence in their lives;

1           NOW, THEREFORE,

2    *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*  
3    *Kentucky:*

4           ➔Section 1.   The members of the Senate, both individually and collectively,  
5    hereby express their most profound sympathy upon the passing of their former colleague  
6    Larry Brent Yonts, and honor him on this day as a public servant and a Kentuckian of the  
7    first order.

8           ➔Section 2.   When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving  
9    memory of Larry Brent Yonts.

10          ➔Section 3.   The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
11    Resolution to Senator Morgan McGarvey for delivery to the family.