

1 WHEREAS, outside of his life as a police officer, Zachary Cottongim was a doting
2 father and a loving husband who cherished every minute with his family and made time
3 to play with his sons each night before bed, no matter how busy he was or how much his
4 job demanded of him; and

5 WHEREAS, Zachary Cottongim was preceded in death by his grandparents, Patsy
6 and Johnny Shillito, and Betty and Wayne Maggard; and mother-in-law, Kellie
7 McKenzie; and

8 WHEREAS, left to cherish the memory of Zachary Cottongim are his loving wife,
9 Jamie; sons, Riley and Alexander; father, Dale Cottongim; mother, Pamela Perkins; step-
10 mother, Natalie; step-father, Laumond Hodges; father-in-law, Timmy Decker; brothers,
11 Kase Cottongim and Kyton Smith; sisters, Erica Ellis (Jordan), Jessica Jones (Chad), and
12 Ashley McFelia; nephews, Oaklee Ellis and Carson McFelia; and nieces, Remi Ellis and
13 Arieal McFelia; and

14 WHEREAS, in addition to his family, Officer Zachary Cottongim is survived by the
15 entire Louisville Metro Police Department; and an entire community who mourns the loss
16 of one of their protectors; and

17 WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of Officer Zachary Cottongim is eminently
18 laudable, and the sense of loss at his passing is only salved by the fond memories of a
19 loving husband, doting father, faithful friend, and dedicated public servant;

20 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

23 ➔Section 1. The members of this body do hereby join the family of Officer
24 Zachary Cottongim in mourning his passing and celebrating his life of service to the
25 citizens of the Commonwealth.

26 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
27 memory of Officer Zachary Cottongim.

- 1 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to
- 2 Senator Gerald Neal for presentation to the Cottongim family.