

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Lafe Smith
2 Hinkle II.

3 WHEREAS, Lafe Smith Hinkle II of Louisa, Kentucky, passed away January 13,
4 2022, at King's Daughters Medical Center following a brief illness. Lafe was born
5 October 26, 1950, in Paintsville, Kentucky, and was the son of the late Lafe Smith and
6 Eunice Stambaugh Hinkle. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his sister,
7 Debra Short, and his grandmother, Ethel Ward Hinkle; and

8 WHEREAS, Lafe was an honorable husband, wise father, and exceptional Pap. He
9 was very proud of his wife, daughter, nephews, and great-nieces, and he loved his
10 grandsons dearly. He loved passionately and in a quiet manner that those who were lucky
11 enough to experience will never forget. He was loyal and committed in every aspect of
12 his life; and

13 WHEREAS, Lafe had a wonderful sense of humor and loved to laugh. He looked
14 for every opportunity to visit with family and friends. He lived his life at his own pace
15 and on his own time, always looking the part of the professional that he was. He was
16 always willing to offer a helping hand, listening ear, and advice to any that were willing
17 to listen; and

18 WHEREAS, Lafe worked diligently as a banker and friend for those who had the
19 privilege of dealing with him in his professional life. Lafe retired from Inez Deposit Bank
20 in February of 2021 after 29 years of service and 50-plus years in banking; and

21 WHEREAS, Lafe was involved in many aspects of the community and a proud
22 member of Louisa High School Class of 1968, where he played first chair trumpet and
23 was chosen as Mr. Scarlack. He was also a member of Richardson Masonic Lodge and
24 was a Kentucky Colonel; and

25 WHEREAS, Lafe supported his desire to help others through his political
26 involvement at the county and the state level. He served on the local Democratic
27 Executive Committee and the County Election Board. He also served as chairman of

1 Community Hospice and was a member of the local hospital board and Kentucky
2 Enterprise Zone; and

3 WHEREAS, survivors include his loving wife Kathy Pack Hinkle; daughter, Julia
4 Rollins (Jason); grandsons, Jason Lafe Rollins and Jackston Lowell Rollins; sister,
5 Sharon Kinner; brother, Randolph Hinkle; brother-in-law, Bruce Short; nephew, Alan
6 Short (Chelsee); great-nieces, Ellouise, Lucy, and Lynlee Short; nephew, Bryan Short
7 (Kelly); mother-in-law, Linda Pack; brother-in-law, Greg Pack; nephew, Alex Pack; and a
8 host of family and friends;

9 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

12 ➔Section 1. The Senate expresses its profound sympathy upon the passing of Lafe
13 Smith Hinkle II and posthumously thanks him for his dedicated service to the city of Inez
14 and Martin County.

15 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
16 memory of Lafe Smith Hinkle II.

17 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
18 Resolution to Senator Phillip Wheeler, Annex Room 253, for delivery to the family.