

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Pastor Cleddie Alton Keith Jr.

2 WHEREAS, Cleddie Alton Keith Jr. is a native of Arlington, Texas. Born on  
3 December 30, 1941, he accepted Jesus Christ at the age of 19; and

4 WHEREAS, after marrying the love of his life, GayNell Weathers Keith, Cleddie  
5 Alton Keith began to preach the gospel to young people in 1972. He and his wife  
6 tirelessly brought the Holy Spirit into the lives of those most in need, delivering hundreds  
7 of youth from the shackles of addiction; and

8 WHEREAS, Cleddie Alton Keith moved on to start the Teen Challenge, an inner-  
9 city ministry that would move him to his later life's work as a world-renowned pastor,  
10 teacher, and mentor; and

11 WHEREAS, Cleddie Alton Keith has served as the pastor of Heritage Fellowship  
12 Church in Florence, Kentucky, for 40 years. Along with his duties as pastor he serves on  
13 several boards and outreach projects around the world, including One by One, Hope Over  
14 Heroin, Our Savior's Church, the R.W. Shambach Evangelistic Ministries, and Palmyr's  
15 Playhouse; and

16 WHEREAS, this honorable body commends those men and women in this  
17 Commonwealth who have dedicated their lives to teaching others about the light and  
18 saving grace of Jesus Christ; and

19 WHEREAS, in this spirit, the members honor Pastor Cleddie Alton Keith Jr. on this  
20 day; acknowledge the hard work and guiding hands of his wife, GayNell, and his  
21 children, Krista and Kyle; and rightfully thank him for all he has done on behalf of the  
22 congregation of Heritage Fellowship Church and the community of Florence, Kentucky;

23 NOW, THEREFORE,

24 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***  
25 ***Kentucky:***

26 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate, individually and collectively, hereby  
27 honor Pastor Cleddie Alton Keith Jr., congratulate him upon his 40th year of service to

1 Heritage Fellowship Church, and grant him very best wishes as he continues to serve as a  
2 beacon of God's enduring love.

3       ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Pastor  
4 Cleddie Alton Keith Jr.

5       ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
6 Resolution to Senator John Schickel for delivery.