

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Raymond
2 Paul Wilt.

3 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt was born in Geneva, Ohio, on November 14,
4 1945, the fifth of nine children; and

5 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt was a proud graduate of Kent State University,
6 receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy while working at Wright's Department
7 Store in Kent, Ohio, where he met his future wife Linda Jean Ludwick; and

8 WHEREAS, upon graduation, Raymond Paul Wilt married Linda and enlisted as a
9 1st Lieutenant in the United States Army. He was stationed in Korea until his honorable
10 discharge, after which he and his wife moved to Kentucky with their two children, Tonja
11 Marie and Clinton Michael, eventually settling in Bowling Green; and

12 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt, upon leaving the military, joined federal law
13 enforcement with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, serving for 30 years,
14 and inspiring a local author to create a detective character based on him in his novel; and

15 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt, after retiring from federal law enforcement, took
16 up farming, but used no motorized equipment for his farming enterprises, choosing to
17 work the land with only mules and oxen; and

18 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt, loved sharing his hobbies with others, from
19 teaching Latin to his grandsons, Robert and Ethan Purcell, to volunteering with New
20 Beginnings Therapeutic Riding, the Knights of Columbus, and Hospice of Southern
21 Kentucky; and

22 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt was a longtime parishioner and usher at Holy
23 Spirit Catholic Church and St. Joseph Catholic Church, greeting parishioners at the door
24 for 30 years; and

25 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt departed this earthly life on January 20, 2023; and

26 WHEREAS, Raymond Paul Wilt will be deeply missed by his community and his
27 family;

1 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

4 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby extends its most profound sympathy upon the
5 passing of Raymond Paul Wilt and expresses heartfelt condolences to his family in this
6 time of loss.

7 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
8 memory of Raymond Paul Wilt.

9 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this
10 Resolution to Senator Mike Wilson for delivery to the family.