

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing February 27, 2024 as Disabilities Awareness Day in
2 Kentucky.

3 WHEREAS, more than 874,000 Kentuckians over the age of five have a disability
4 that impairs their ability to work or to carry out tasks of daily living; and

5 WHEREAS, Kentuckians with disabilities must be able to access the services and
6 supports they need to become active, participating members of their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, these individuals with disabilities and their circles of support need to
8 be informed so they can exercise their freedom to make choices, direct their own care,
9 and live in the communities or settings of their choice; and

10 WHEREAS, individuals with disabilities should be given the education and
11 opportunity to gain and maintain employment and to become taxpayers; and

12 WHEREAS, individuals with disabilities should not be criminalized or
13 discriminated against because of their disability; and

14 WHEREAS, all individuals with disabilities matter and should be afforded the
15 opportunity to participate in the democratic decision-making process; and

16 WHEREAS, the United 874K Disabilities Coalition is joining with Advocates for
17 Reforming Medicaid Services to bring forth the voices of Kentuckians with disabilities;

18 NOW, THEREFORE,

19 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
20 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

21 ➔SECTION 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby recognize
22 February 27, 2024, as Disabilities Awareness Day in Kentucky in order to promote an
23 awareness of disabilities and a strong commitment to provide services and supports to all
24 Kentuckians with disabilities.

25 ➔SECTION 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit
26 a copy of this Resolution to Representative Rachel Roarx for delivery.