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1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of the life 2 and legacy of Dexter Scott King. 3 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King was born on January 30, 1961, to civil rights 4 activists Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King, in Atlanta, Georgia; and 5 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King attended and graduated from Frederick Douglas 6 High School, where he played football, and Morehouse College, in Atlanta, Georgia, 7 where he majored in Business Administration; and 8 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King was devoted to carrying forward his father's legacy 9 of promoting love, equality, and unity, and worked tirelessly to bridge the divides in our 10 society; and 11 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King's commitment to the principles of nonviolence and 12 his unwavering dedication to the cause of civil rights established him as a respected and 13 influential figure in the ongoing struggle for social justice; and 14 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King was a proud civil rights and animal rights activist 15 throughout his life; and 16 WHEREAS, in May 1989, Coretta Scott King named Dexter Scott King the 17 chairman of the King Center for Nonviolent Social Change. His leadership and advocacy 18 served as a source of inspiration for countless individuals and communities, encouraging 19 them to join the fight for justice and equality; and 20 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King passed peacefully in his sleep at his home in 21 Malibu, California, on January 22, 2024, after a long battle with prostate cancer; and 22 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King was preceded in death by his parents, Rev. Dr. 23 Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King, and his sister, Yolanda Denise King; and 24 WHEREAS, Dexter Scott King is survived by his loving wife of 11 years, Leah 25 Weber King; brother, Martin Luther (Arndrea Waters) King, III; and sister, Bernice 26 Albertine King. NOW, THEREFORE, 27

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

3 →Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their most profound
4 sympathy upon the passing of Dexter Scott King and posthumously recognize and
5 applaud his contributions to social justice and the continuation of his father's legacy in
6 pursuing equality and human rights for countless individuals and communities.

7 → Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
8 memory of Dexter Scott King.

9 → Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
10 Resolution to Senator Gerald Neal for delivery to the family.