

1           A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Joann  
2 Mefford Schrader.

3           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader was born on April 11, 1938, in Frankfort,  
4 Kentucky, to William Elias and Mamie Mefford; and

5           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader graduated from Peaks Mill High School and  
6 went on to have an accomplished career, including working for the Louisville  
7 Homebuilders Association and Sturm Insurance Agency; and

8           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader possessed an intrepid entrepreneurial spirit,  
9 becoming a co-owner of 4S Prototype Machine Shop and eventually starting her own  
10 insurance agency; and

11           WHEREAS, in 1992, Joann Mefford Schrader discovered her passion working in  
12 the Legislative Research Commission, from which she retired with well over 20 years of  
13 service to the Kentucky General Assembly. She was the embodiment of a great  
14 legislative assistant and was both loved and respected by her colleagues; and

15           WHEREAS, soon after joining LRC, Joann Mefford Schrader earned a reputation  
16 for her impeccable fashion sense, designing and coordinating outfits that she sewed  
17 herself; and

18           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader loved her LRC family, affectionately  
19 referring to the senators that she frequently worked with as "her boys." She enjoyed  
20 collecting with great care years of saved Christmas, birthday, and get-well cards, along  
21 with a treasured personal note from President Bill Clinton and a personally signed  
22 Christmas card from the president of her favorite store, Talbots; and

23           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader was a devoted grandmother with boundless  
24 love for her grandchildren, spending countless hours fishing with them on the banks of  
25 the Elkhorn Creek and attending soccer, basketball, track, and cheerleading events  
26 without fail; and

27           WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader was a great lover of travel, and among her

1 many adventures, she twice explored the Western United States via camper, frequently  
2 noting "the beauty of God's creation" at scenic locales such as Grant Teton National  
3 Park; and

4 WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader was dedicated to her faith and was a lifelong  
5 member of Peaks Mill Christian Church, teaching ladies' Sunday school classes for many  
6 years and volunteering over the course of several summers at Camp Calvary, where many  
7 individuals made professions of faith and were baptized; and

8 WHEREAS, on March 1, 2024, Joann Mefford Schrader traversed these earthly  
9 bounds in certain hope of entering into the loving embrace of her Lord and Savior. She  
10 will be deeply missed by all who knew her; and

11 WHEREAS, Joann Mefford Schrader is survived by her loving family, including  
12 sons Stephen Schrader, William Todd (Leigh Ann) Schrader, and Joel (Kimberly)  
13 Schrader; grandchildren Tyler Schrader, Roman Schrader, Benjamin Schrader, Ava  
14 Schrader, Myla Leger, Paul (Emily) Daniel, and Christopher (Taylor) Daniel; along with  
15 five great-grandchildren and many other extended family and friends who honor her  
16 memory;

17 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

20 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their most profound  
21 sympathy upon the passing of Joann Mefford Schrader.

22 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving  
23 memory of Joann Mefford Schrader.

24 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
25 Resolution to Senator Robert Stivers for presentation to the family.