

1 A RESOLUTION honoring WGOH and WUGO radio stations for 65 years of
2 service to the community of Carter County and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

3 WHEREAS, on June 1, 1959, WGOH-AM aired its first broadcast to residents of
4 Carter County. The station features a format of Country Gold, Bluegrass, the Kentucky
5 Network, religious programs, and local high school sports; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1967, a new station came to the Carter County airwaves. WUGO-
7 FM offers 24-hour air time, broadcasting adult contemporary music. The station also
8 broadcasts national, state, and local news; local high school sports; University of
9 Kentucky sports; and Cincinnati Reds baseball; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1982, the radio airwaves expanded to local community television.
11 Cable TV-14 Grayson serves over 2,900 homes with audio provided from WUGO-FM
12 and color video messages 24-hours each day. The station offers the time, local news
13 headlines, temperature, weather, and local County Conversation shows; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2011, WGOH-AM expanded to the FM dial and broadcasts the
15 programming of the AM station 24-hours each day to Carter County and surrounding
16 counties; and

17 WHEREAS, the combination of four media formats operated by GO Radio of the
18 Carter County Broadcasting Company, Inc., provides an opportunity to reach audiences
19 young and old throughout the region. GO Radio recognizes that stability and dedication
20 of a locally-owned and independent business provides a unique service to its listeners;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, GO Radio has a commitment to public service and community
23 involvement. The National Association of Broadcasters awarded the Crystal Award to
24 WGOH in 1999 and WUGO in 2003, 2005, and 2008. GO Radio stations have been the
25 only recipient of this award for programming and community involvement within
26 Kentucky. In 1996 and 1999, GO Radio was a finalist for the Macaroni Award as the best
27 small-market station in the nation. In 2000, GO Radio was the winner of the Kentucky

1 Broadcasters Association's Golden Tower Award for community service and public
2 involvement; and

3 WHEREAS, these accomplishments would not have been possible without the
4 legacy of the Shufflebarger family for their vision of the radio stations and insistence on
5 providing quality radio to Carter County. To fulfill the family's vision, former and current
6 employees dedicate hours of airtime across the channels. Some of the stations' loyal
7 employees include local, Kentucky, and national celebrities, Tim Carper, Melodie Carter,
8 Bill Craig, Charlie Esposito, Tom T. Hall, Ken Jackson, Mic Marshall, Dick Martin, Paul
9 Mullins, Frances Nash, Jim Phillips, Mike Phillips, Jeff Roe, Carmel Stevens, Bill
10 Stewart, and Dr. Robert C. Webb. Mr. Stevens hosted a bluegrass show and Dr. Webb
11 hosted "Game Club of the Air," that lasted for over 25 years;

12 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

15 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby recognizes and celebrates the long history of
16 WGOH and WUGO and honors GO Radio for providing a variety of music, news, sports,
17 and weather across the airwaves to the citizens of Carter County and the Commonwealth
18 of Kentucky.

19 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of the
20 Resolution to Senator Robin Webb.