

1           A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Lula Mae  
2 Jones-Ingram Taylor.

3           WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow that the Senate recognizes the passing of Lula  
4 Mae Jones-Ingram Taylor, a distinguished and beloved individual whose life and legacy  
5 will forever remain in the hearts of her family and friends and the communities she  
6 served; and

7           WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor was born on September 16, 1950, to the late Eddie  
8 Lee Jones and Eula Mae Hunter-Jones in Hurtsboro, Alabama, and was raised by her  
9 devoted grandparents, Robert Hunter and Earlie B. Hunter, who imparted to her the  
10 values of love, faith, and service; and

11           WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor demonstrated her dedication to service and education  
12 early in life, graduating from Rosenwald Russell County Training School, now Russell  
13 High School, in 1968, before answering the call to serve her country honorably by joining  
14 the United States Army during the Vietnam Era; and

15           WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor was stationed in several domestic and international  
16 locations, including Aberdeen, Maryland; Fort Knox, Kentucky; and Landstuhl,  
17 Frankfurt, and Aschaffenburg, Germany, where she served as a Medical Specialist  
18 providing care to fellow service members and earning numerous medals and ribbons,  
19 including Artillery Expert, Good Conduct, Army Commendation, NCO Professional  
20 Development, National Defense, and Overseas Service Award, among others; and

21           WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor continued her service to her fellow veterans as a  
22 nurse at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, contributing to the care and wellbeing of  
23 countless individuals; and

24           WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor was united in marriage to the late Allen Ingram in  
25 1973, with whom she has two children, Alethea Ingram-Bernard and the late Allen L.  
26 Ingram, and she later married Earnest Taylor, who preceded her in death; and

27           WHEREAS, a deeply spiritual woman, Lula Mae Taylor lived her faith every day,

1 finding strength in reading and studying the Bible, attending church, and singing praises  
2 inspired by gospel greats like Mahalia Jackson and James Cleveland. Her devotion to her  
3 faith was a cornerstone of her life, and she shared the gift of love, knowledge, and  
4 spiritual guidance with her children, grandchildren, and the children in her neighborhood;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor was a woman of exceptional creativity and  
7 craftsmanship. Her sewing skills were a hallmark of her character; she would take fabric  
8 from old clothing and repurpose it into beautiful Bible covers, children's clothing,  
9 headdresses, turbans, or other adornments. She was well known for her culinary talents,  
10 preparing Southern and exotic dishes that brought joy to many; and

11 WHEREAS, Lula Mae Taylor leaves behind a legacy of love, faith, and service that  
12 will forever be cherished by her daughter, Alethea (Thomas) Ingram-Bernard; her  
13 brother, Tommie Lee Jones; her sister, Lela Stills-Brannon; her four grandchildren,  
14 Desmond Bernard, Karyn Bernard, Amber Bernard, and Alayna Bryant-Williams; a  
15 special family member, Dr. Uneeda Bryant; sisters-in-law, Ruth I. Strother, Queen I.  
16 Simpson, and Dr. Estella I. Levy; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends  
17 who will always remember her kindness, wisdom, and unwavering love; and

18 WHEREAS, the life of Lula Mae Taylor was a testament to the enduring power of  
19 love. She yearned for love: to be loved, to know love, and to share love with others, and  
20 she truly believed that love is what sustains us and enables us to endure through all  
21 things. Her spirit, wisdom, and the love she shared will continue to shine in the lives of  
22 those who knew her;

23 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

26 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its most profound sympathy upon the  
27 passing of Lula Mae Jones-Ingram Taylor.

1           ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving  
2 memory of Lula Mae Jones-Ingram Taylor.

3           ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
4 Resolution to Senator Reginald Thomas for delivery to the family.