

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Kayi
2 Lewis.

3 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis entered this world on December 10, 1949, in Ashland,
4 Kentucky to the late Herbert and Florence Gambill; and

5 WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Kayi Lewis practiced her faith as a member of
6 Youngers Creek Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, Kentucky; and

7 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis formerly served as the president of the Hardin County
8 Republican Women's Club and as a member of the Congressional Women's Club to
9 champion causes and initiatives she felt would make the Commonwealth a better place to
10 live, work, and raise a family; and

11 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis's will to live and determination to fight was put on display
12 when she was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2017. After removing her pancreas,
13 surgeons informed her that she was in what they call the "less-than-one-percent elite
14 club," as she was in the top 99.9th percentile as far her response to the treatment; and

15 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis's renewed lease on life allowed her the opportunity to
16 keep making the orange juice cakes she loved so much, and to make people of all
17 backgrounds and walks of life feel welcomed and loved; and

18 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis departed this earthly life on February 4, 2025, at the age
19 of 75, in the comfort of her own home surrounded by her family; and

20 WHEREAS, Kayi Lewis is preceded in death by her parents; and two brothers, Bill
21 and Roger Gambill. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Ron Lewis; two children,
22 Brent (Amanda) Lewis and Allison (Tyler) Coffey; one sister, Faye Crooks; five
23 grandchildren, Kinsley Grace Coffey, Hope Lewis, Faith Cates, Grace Cates, and Wilson
24 Bernhard; and several nieces and a nephew;

25 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

1 ➔Section 1. The Senate expresses its most profound sympathy upon the passing
2 of Kayi Lewis and extends heartfelt condolences to all her family and friends.

3 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
4 memory of Kayi Lewis.

5 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
6 Resolution to Senator Matthew Deneen for delivery to the family.