

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of James
2 Dion Deneen.

3 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen was born on October 6, 1940, and was a proud
4 Kentuckian residing in Elizabethtown; and

5 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen exemplified a life dedicated to service joining the
6 United States Army wherein he served proudly and with distinction for 22 years as a
7 military policeman; and

8 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen began working at Fort Knox, Kentucky, after his
9 military service concluded, using his engineer's mind and dexterous hands as an exhibit
10 model maker and training device specialist; and

11 WHEREAS, a passionate and integral part of his community, James Dion Deneen
12 was a member of the Morrison Lodge No. 76 F&AM, the D.A.V. Chapter No. 003,
13 American Legion, and Hardin County History Museum Board of Directors, was president
14 of the Riasok Shrine Club and the Elizabethtown Lions Club, and served as a liaison for
15 Kosair Charities, a group in which he worked for more than 40 years raising money to
16 provide healthcare for children; and

17 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen's heartfelt and eminently successful advocacy in
18 pursuit of helping others was evident in his avocations and avenues of service to others;
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20 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen continued to contribute to the esprit de corps of
21 local emergency responders by making skillfully crafted desk name plates and American
22 flags for them; and

23 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen was preceded in death by his beloved wife Norma
24 F. Deneen and his beloved mother Olive B. Deneen; and

25 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen was the loving and beloved father of Brian K.
26 Deneen, Kelly M. Deneen, and Matthew D. (Tanya) Deneen, as well as the doting
27 grandfather of Bronson (Taylor) Deneen, Trevor (Larra) Deneen, Chase Deneen, Julie

1 (Ethan) McDougal, and Katelyn (Skyler) Osman, also being the doting great-grandfather
2 of Saige Deneen, Paisley Deneen, Eli Deneen, and Cooper Deneen; and

3 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen is survived by his brother, Walter S. "Bart"
4 (Elaine) Deneen, his brothers-in-law, Wayne (Barbara) Sisk (Barbara) of Elizabethtown,
5 and Larry Stumbaugh, as well as his sister-in-law, Linda Sue Woolever; and

6 WHEREAS, James Dion Deneen passed from this Earthly realm on February 13,
7 2025;

8 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

11 ➔Section 1. The Senate expresses its most profound sympathy upon the passing
12 of James Dion Deneen and extends heartfelt condolences to all his family, friends, and
13 community.

14 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
15 memory of James Dion Deneen.

16 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
17 Resolution to Senator Matthew Deneen, son of James Dion Deneen.