

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Dr.
2 Thomas "Tom" Shelton.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas "Tom" Shelton was born on December 13, 1963, in
4 Princeton, Kentucky, to the late Thomas Leslie and Jo Anne Shelton; and

5 WHEREAS, Tom Shelton was known for his earnest commitment to strengthening
6 public education across the Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, Tom Shelton spent much of his life dedicated to Kentucky's public
8 schools, serving students, educators, and communities as a superintendent, statewide
9 education leader, and trusted advocate; and

10 WHEREAS, Tom Shelton was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather,
11 brother, son, colleague, mentor, and friend; and

12 WHEREAS, Tom Shelton is survived by his wife, Sharon Hays; daughters, Abby
13 (Justin) Sizemore and Audrey Shelton; granddaughters, Ann-Thomas and Edie Sizemore;
14 sister, Debbie Shelton Miller; former wife, Gwen (Heather Thomsen) Shelton; and step-
15 children, Austin and Grace England; and

16 WHEREAS, Tom Shelton passed from this earthly life at the age of 62 on February
17 8, 2026, and will be deeply missed by those he left behind;

18 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

21 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their most profound
22 sympathy upon the passing of Dr. Thomas "Tom" Shelton.

23 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
24 memory of Dr. Thomas "Tom" Shelton.

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