

1           A RESOLUTION commemorating the 80th Southern Legislative Conference of the  
2 Council of State Governments Southern Office.

3           WHEREAS, the Council of State Governments, CSG South, is a nonpartisan,  
4 nonprofit member organization that serves the Southern legislatures of Alabama,  
5 Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina,  
6 Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia; and

7           WHEREAS, with regionally based state leadership and perspective, and national-  
8 level resources, CSG South provides Southern legislators and government staff with a  
9 wide variety of programs and services that facilitate regional cooperation and encourage  
10 the exchange of information; and

11           WHEREAS, the mission of the organization is to serve as a community of the  
12 states, committed to connecting, informing, inspiring, and empowering public servants in  
13 all three branches of state government to put the best ideas and solutions into practice;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, in pursuit of this mission, CSG South has convened the Southern  
16 Legislative Conference for the past 79 years, with decades of fellowship and cooperation  
17 among the 15 Southern states; and

18           WHEREAS, the 80th Southern Legislative Conference will convene in Lexington,  
19 Kentucky, from July 11 to 15, 2026; and

20           WHEREAS, more than 1,500 Southern legislators, government staff, and their  
21 families will gather to discuss policy matters specifically affecting Southern states to  
22 bridge commonalities and discuss solutions for current policy trends, challenges, and  
23 opportunities;

24           NOW, THEREFORE,

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

27           ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate highlight and commend the annual

1 Southern Legislative Conference, and welcome all Southern legislative, executive, and  
2 judicial officials to attend.

3       ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
4 Resolution to Senator Robert Stivers.