

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing March 2, 2026, as Read Across America Day.

2 WHEREAS, reading is the building block to learning and the foundation for future  
3 success; and

4 WHEREAS, this distinguished body desires that all Kentucky students develop a  
5 love of reading; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1998, the National Education Association introduced the Read  
7 Across America campaign to encourage children to read every day and to raise awareness  
8 about the importance of reading; and

9 WHEREAS, Read Across America is a national celebration of reading that  
10 improves students' vocabularies, promotes critical thinking skills, and inspires students to  
11 embrace the joy of reading, and will be celebrated on March 2, 2026, in honor of the  
12 birthday of Dr. Seuss; and

13 WHEREAS, local schools, libraries, bookstores, businesses, and other community  
14 organizations will commemorate Read Across America Day by hosting a variety of fun  
15 and engaging events; and

16 WHEREAS, students, parents, teachers, sports figures, celebrities, and business and  
17 community leaders are taking part in Read Across America events to celebrate the joy of  
18 reading and to encourage students in their endeavor to learn strong reading skills;

19 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

22 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby recognize March 2, 2026, as Read  
23 Across America Day.

24 ➔Section 2. The members of the Senate enthusiastically endorse Read Across  
25 America and encourage the citizens of the Commonwealth to engage in programs and  
26 activities to make America's children the best readers in the world.

27 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this

- 1 Resolution to Senator Stephen West.