

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Karen Sue
2 Spencer Graham.

3 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham was born in Cabin Creek, West Virginia
4 to the late Thomas and Delphia Harper Spencer, steeped in the rich history of Appalachia
5 that is shared by West Virginia and the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

6 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham's convictions, compassion, and
7 comportment were highly influenced by her experiences of growing up in the 1960s—an
8 age marked by significant social transformation; and

9 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham, shaped by these remarkable times in her
10 youth, lived her life radiating kindness and love to humankind and those in the animal
11 kingdom wherein she found great value, beauty, and joy; and

12 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham was a devoted public servant, working for
13 years with the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service in Powell County,
14 a career in which she considered her client constituency as family, and as the Powell
15 County Clerk; and

16 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham held her family in the highest of esteem
17 and worked tirelessly for their benefit; and

18 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham was the loving and beloved mother of
19 Cory Graham; grandmother of Charleston Graham; sister of Louise Grounds, Barbara
20 (Jim) McPhail, and Teresa Spencer; aunt to Valerie (Jack) Ellis and Stacy King; great-
21 aunt of Jackson (Hailey) Ellis, Lauren Ellis, and Samuel King; and

22 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham was also the loving and beloved sister of
23 Carol King and sister-in-law of Dennis Grounds, who preceded her in passing; and

24 WHEREAS, Karen Sue Spencer Graham now is in communion with God and her
25 heavenly family, having departed this earthly life on December 13, 2025;

26 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

1 ***Kentucky:***

2 ➔Section 1. The Senate extends its sincere condolences to the family, friends, and
3 fellow community members of Karen Sue Spencer Graham, on this solemn occasion of
4 her passing, and affirms that her life immeasurably and positively affected those who had
5 the pleasure of making her acquaintance.

6 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
7 memory of Karen Sue Spencer Graham.

8 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
9 Resolution to Senator Brandon Smith for delivery to the family.