

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Brenda
2 Holmes.

3 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes was born on November 30, 1954, to the late Stanley
4 and Sallie Smith; and

5 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes confessed her faith in Christ at an early age and
6 became a devoted member of Shiloh Baptist Church; and

7 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes attended Eastern Kentucky University, where she
8 pursued her passion for education and received her bachelor's degree; and

9 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes nurtured the minds of many young children
10 throughout her career, devoting 29 years of her life to teaching elementary school
11 students; and

12 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes continued to have an impact on the lives of students
13 even after retirement, volunteering her time as a teacher for Vacation Bible School and
14 the Read to Succeed program; and

15 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes also discovered a passion for photography and poetry
16 during retirement and enjoyed sharing her poetry and words of encouragement with
17 others; and

18 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes deeply loved her family and especially treasured
19 making memories with her beloved grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes departed this life on April 4, 2026, having lived a life
21 of service to others and to God; and

22 WHEREAS, Brenda Holmes is survived by her husband of 47 years, Edward
23 Holmes; children, Margot Smith and Ryan (Georgina) Holmes; two sisters, Doris
24 (George) White and Beverly Clayborne; aunt, Virginia Smith; grandchildren, Jordynn
25 Smith, Jalynn Smith, Vivian Holmes, and Olivia Holmes; and a host of cousins, nieces,
26 nephews, and brothers- and sisters-in-law;

27 NOW, THEREFORE,

1 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
2 *Kentucky:*

3 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby expresses its most profound sympathy upon the
4 passing of Brenda Holmes and extends heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, and
5 community.

6 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
7 memory of Brenda Holmes.

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