

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing August 21, 2024, as Kentucky Senior Citizens Day
2 in the Commonwealth.

3 WHEREAS, in a world that is continually developing, it is critically important to
4 acknowledge the citizens of the Commonwealth who carry with them a lifetime of
5 experiences, wisdom, and influence on society; and

6 WHEREAS, according to the United States Census Bureau, senior citizens make up
7 17.6 percent of the population in the Commonwealth; and

8 WHEREAS, in recognition of the valuable role of senior citizens in American
9 society, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed August 21, 1988, as National Senior
10 Citizens Day in the United States, coinciding with the birthday of former President and
11 noted senior citizens' rights advocate Benjamin Harrison. The day gained world attention
12 and soon became a global celebration; and

13 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day, now celebrated annually on August 21 of
14 each year, serves to highlight and respect the insights, accomplishments, and struggles of
15 senior citizens in modern society; and

16 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day acknowledges the significant contributions
17 and commitments that senior citizens have made throughout their lives to their families,
18 communities, and society as a whole; and

19 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day underlines the significance of approaching
20 senior citizens with dignity and respect, regardless of any age-related difficulties that they
21 may be facing; and

22 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day reveals insight into the different issues
23 influencing seniors, including medical care, social isolation, financial insecurity, and
24 elder abuse; and

25 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day urges young people to engage and interact
26 with their elders, bridging generational gaps and safeguarding traditions; and

27 WHEREAS, World Senior Citizens Day serves as a stage to advocate for the rights

1 of seniors, ensuring that they receive adequate medical care, social services, and quality
2 of life;

3 NOW, THEREFORE,

4 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
5 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

6 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby recognize
7 August 21, 2024, as Kentucky Senior Citizens Day in the Commonwealth.

8 ➔Section 2. When the House adjourns this day, it does so in honor of all senior
9 citizens and acknowledges their lifetime of invaluable contributions made to both the
10 Commonwealth and this great nation.

11 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House is directed to transmit a copy of this
12 Resolution to Representative Beverly Chester-Burton.