

1           A RESOLUTION honoring the service and sacrifice of six siblings and World War  
2 II veterans, the Preece brothers.

3           WHEREAS, Henry Garfield and Ada Bell Preece were the proud parents of  
4 William Henry Preece, Haskell Preece, Hiram Zephaniah Preece, Rudolph Grand Preece,  
5 Edwin M. Preece, and James T. Preece; and

6           WHEREAS, William Henry Preece was born on January 23, 1907. He was a  
7 member of the United States Navy where he served as an electrician's mate third class. He  
8 was honorably discharged on December 16th of 1945; and

9           WHEREAS, Haskell Preece was born on May 25, 1910. He was a member of the  
10 United States Army where he served as a technical Sergeant with Company E 149th  
11 Infantry; and

12           WHEREAS, Hiram Zephaniah Preece was born on January 16, 1909. He was a  
13 member of the United States Navy where he served as a Carpenter's Mate First Class. He  
14 was honorably discharged on September 19th of 1945; and

15           WHEREAS, Rudolph Grand Preece was born on March 5, 1923. He was a member  
16 of the United States Army where he was a Corporal with Company C of the 501st  
17 Airborne Medical Battalion. He was honorably discharged on December 30th of 1945;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, Edwin M. Preece was born in 1921. He was a member of the United  
20 States Army where he served as a Private First Class with the field artillery branch; and

21           WHEREAS, James T. Preece was born on April 8, 1927. He was a member of the  
22 United States Navy beginning on May 8, 1944, and was honorably discharged on June 2,  
23 1946. On March 24, 1950, James T. Preece joined the United States Army during the  
24 Korean War, serving with the 21st Infantry Regiment. Mr. Preece, while defending his  
25 country, was killed in action on September 5, 1950. He was posthumously awarded a  
26 Purple Heart; and

27           WHEREAS, William, Haskell, Hiram, Rudolph, Edwin, and James Preece all

1 faithfully answered the call of duty to defend the rights of all citizens of the United States  
2 of America during World War II. Their service did not go without recognition as  
3 collectively they have received numerous medals and ribbons;

4 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

7 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives salute the service and  
8 sacrifice of the Preece brothers and urge the Commonwealth to cherish their memory.

9 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in  
10 honor of the Preece brothers.

11 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a  
12 copy of this Resolution to Representative Kathy Hinkle for delivery.