

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the 25th anniversary celebration of *It's a Grand Night*
2 *for Singing!*, a production of the College of Fine Arts, the University of Kentucky Opera
3 Theatre, and the Lexington Opera Society.

4 WHEREAS, *It's a Grand Night for Singing!* was conceived in the summer of 1993
5 as a way of giving young performers from the University of Kentucky an opportunity to
6 display their talents and to present the music of Broadway; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Everett McCorvey and Jim Rodgers designed the concept, and the
8 first performance would see a packed house and more than 400 walk-up ticket buyers;
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10 WHEREAS, over the years, the performance has grown to feature a world-class
11 conductor, arrangers, choreographers, vocal coaches, scenic and lighting designers, and
12 stage managers; and

13 WHEREAS, on June 9, 2017, *It's a Grand Night for Singing!* will hold its 25th
14 anniversary performance; and

15 WHEREAS, it is therefore appropriate that this august body congratulate those
16 performers and stage crew who have lent their talent and skill to this extraordinary
17 production, and also commend all those at the College of Fine Arts, the University of
18 Kentucky Opera Theatre, and the Lexington Opera Society who have contributed to the
19 artistic culture of this Commonwealth by helping this production see packed houses every
20 year;

21 NOW, THEREFORE,

22 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
23 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

24 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby congratulate all
25 those associated with *It's a Grand Night for Singing!* and honor them on the 25th
26 anniversary of the production.

27 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a

- 1 copy of this Resolution to Representative Ruth Ann Palumbo.