

1           A RESOLUTION urging Governor Matthew Bevin to open all Kentucky National  
2 Guard armories as warming centers if temperatures fall below twenty degrees Fahrenheit  
3 and the wind chill is below zero.

4           WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is currently experiencing harsh winter weather  
5 conditions associated with the Arctic blast that has covered much of the United States;  
6 and

7           WHEREAS, the current weather pattern features wind and wind gusts that are  
8 exacerbating the cold temperatures by lowering wind chill factors further; and

9           WHEREAS, many, if not all, communities across the Commonwealth are  
10 experiencing nighttime as well as daytime temperatures below zero; and

11           WHEREAS, many citizens of the Commonwealth may find themselves in dire  
12 circumstances while trying to survive the extreme cold without adequate warmth; and

13           WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky has fifty-four Kentucky National  
14 Guard armories located throughout the state; and

15           WHEREAS, the authority to declare a state of emergency or to take lesser measures  
16 when the Commonwealth experiences difficult circumstances due to nature lies with the  
17 Governor;

18           NOW, THEREFORE,

19 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*  
20 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

21           ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives urges Governor Matthew Bevin to  
22 open all Kentucky National Guard armories as warming centers for Kentucky residents  
23 while temperatures remain below twenty degrees Fahrenheit and wind chills fall below  
24 zero.

25           ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House is directed to send a copy of this Resolution  
26 to Governor Matthew Bevin, Suite 100 of the Capitol.