

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the House of Representatives in honor of Gillard
2 "Popeye" Ross upon the occasion of his 100th birthday.

3 WHEREAS, Gillard "Popeye" Ross, is a native son of the Commonwealth, born in
4 Marshall County, Kentucky, on April 12, 1918, and has been a lifelong resident of
5 Murray, Kentucky; and

6 WHEREAS, Gillard "Popeye" Ross married the love of his life, Gretchel Hamrick,
7 for whom he tirelessly cared through many difficult years of illness prior to her passing.
8 His continued volunteerism at Spring Creek Health Care, a skilled nursing and
9 rehabilitation facility, and his support for its patients has rightfully earned him
10 recognition as Caregiver of the Year, being the facility's number one volunteer. Spring
11 Creek Health Care has designated an entrance in special recognition of Mr. Ross's
12 dedication in the service of others; and

13 WHEREAS, Gillard "Popeye" Ross was a devout member of First United
14 Methodist Church in Murray; and

15 WHEREAS, Gillard "Popeye" Ross operated his Standard Oil business at the corner
16 of Main and 15th Streets near the Murray State University campus, and was for decades a
17 hub and weekend gathering place for university students. Indeed, Gillard "Popeye" Ross
18 was and is a staunch supporter of Murray High School and Murray State University
19 athletics; and

20 WHEREAS, this honorable body pauses to say "Happy Birthday" to Gillard
21 "Popeye" Ross, who has given so much to so many over the course of his remarkable life;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

25 ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives honors and commends Gillard
26 "Popeye" Ross upon the occasion of his 100th birthday, and extends its sincerest
27 appreciation for his decades of service to the Murray community and to the patients at

1 Spring Creek Health Care.

2 ➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in
3 honor of Gillard "Popeye" Ross.

4 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
5 copy of this Resolution to Speaker Pro Tem David Osborne for delivery.