

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing January 11, 2018, as Donate Life Kentucky Day.

2 WHEREAS, it is rightful that this body honor those agencies that seek to educate  
3 Kentuckians about organ, eye, and tissue donation, and tirelessly strive to push the  
4 citizens of this Commonwealth into action to save lives; and

5 WHEREAS, currently 1,000 Kentuckians are awaiting an organ donation; and

6 WHEREAS, donation begins with the process of registration, and while Kentucky  
7 has reached its national goal of 50 percent of Kentuckians registered to be organ donors,  
8 more needs to be done on behalf of those who are so courageously waiting on their gift;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, this is an all-encompassing effort from all corners of our  
11 Commonwealth, and passionate organizations in Kentucky involved with the life-saving  
12 mission of organ, eye, and tissue donation have come together to celebrate the gift of life;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, this body thanks those agencies, including the Kentucky Circuit Court  
15 Clerks' Trust for Life, Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates, Kosair Charities, Kentucky  
16 Lions Eye Bank, LifeCenter, the National Kidney Foundation, the Kidney Health Alliance  
17 of Kentucky, Jewish Transplant Care, and the University of Kentucky HealthCare  
18 Transplant Center; and

19 WHEREAS, the goal of these advocates is to educate Kentuckians on the miracle of  
20 donation and transplantation, with the hope that all those applying for drivers' licenses at  
21 the Circuit Clerk's office also register as donors at that time; and

22 WHEREAS, in so doing, this body urges Kentuckians to remember those heroic  
23 donors and their families whose generosity saved lives, celebrate those who have received  
24 their gift of life, recognize those still waiting for their gift, and honor those who lost the  
25 fight and died waiting;

26 NOW, THEREFORE,

27 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***

1 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

2       ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives hereby recognizes January 11, 2018, as  
3 Donate Life Kentucky Day.

4       ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a  
5 copy of this Resolution to Representative Jason Nemes for delivery.