

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Rita Pearl
2 Cooksie.

3 WHEREAS, Rita Pearl Cooksie was born in Cumberland County on September 3,
4 1929, the daughter of the late Arvin and Lillie Jones; and

5 WHEREAS, Rita Pearl Cooksie was a 1949 graduate of Jackman High School.
6 Following graduation she lived in Louisville and Dallas, eventually settling in Glens
7 Fork, Kentucky, where she raised her four cherished daughters; and

8 WHEREAS, Rita Pearl Cooksie was a proud member of Pleasant Grove Baptist
9 Church, where she served as a Sunday school teacher and church treasurer; and

10 WHEREAS, Rita Pearl Cooksie, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and sister,
11 departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom of Heaven on February 13, 2017,
12 leaving her family, friends, and all those whose lives she touched in solemn mourning;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Rita Pearl Cooksie was preceded in death by her parents; husband,
15 Raymond C. Cooksie; and several siblings. She is survived by her daughters, Ina Cooksie,
16 Kathy Cooksie and her husband, Senator Gerald Neal, Carolyn Cooksie, and Jancie
17 Collins and her husband, Fred; grandchildren, Kris Yokum, Shauna Arthur, Brand Neal,
18 Kristin Neal, Drew Collins, Blake Collins, and Grant Collins; great-grandchild, Jada
19 Arthur; sisters, Pat Eddington and Deborah Thomas; brothers, Maxwell Jones and
20 Thurman Jones and his wife, Margaret; and a host of other family members, friends, and
21 loved ones who will dearly miss her presence in their lives;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

25 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby express their most profound
26 sympathy upon the passing of Rita Pearl Cooksie, and extend heartfelt condolences to
27 their esteemed colleague Senator Gerald Neal and his extended family in this time of loss.

1 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
2 memory of Rita Pearl Cooksie.

3 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
4 Resolution to Senator Gerald Neal.