

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the service of, and high-quality care administered by,
2 Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, and declaring February 7, 2018, as Advanced
3 Practice Registered Nurse Day in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

4 WHEREAS, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs), constituting both
5 nurse practitioners and nurse-midwives, are trusted providers of health care for patients in
6 the Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, APRNs have advanced clinical education and training that builds upon
8 their initial registered nurse preparation; and

9 WHEREAS, there are over 7,000 licensed Kentucky APRNs who provide primary,
10 acute, midwifery, and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life; and

11 WHEREAS, APRNs diagnose and treat patients, and prescribe medications and
12 other treatments to them through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care; and

13 WHEREAS, citizens of the Commonwealth have great trust in the high-quality care
14 APRNs provide; and

15 WHEREAS, five decades of research demonstrate the high quality of care provided
16 by APRNs; and

17 WHEREAS, better utilization of APRNs through modernized state laws and
18 improved system policies leads to better health by creating a more accessible, efficient,
19 cost-effective, and higher-quality health care system;

20 NOW, THEREFORE,

21 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
22 *Kentucky:*

23 ➔Section 1. The Senate declares February 7, 2018, to be Advanced Practice
24 Registered Nurse Day in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

25 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor, recognition,
26 and celebration of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and the service and high-quality
27 care that they administer to Kentuckians.

- 1 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
- 2 Resolution to Senator Paul Hornback for delivery.