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22 RS BR 2323

1	A RESOLUTION urging Kentucky's Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
2	license holders to suspend the sale of Russian-produced vodka.
3	WHEREAS, the people of Ukraine and Kentucky share love of freedom, self-
4	determination, and independent governance; and
5	WHEREAS, the language, culture, and history of Ukraine is rich and distinct from
6	that of Russia; and
7	WHEREAS, Ukraine first declared independence from Bolshevik communists in
8	Russia in 1918; and
9	WHEREAS, Ukraine is recognized as a democratic republic; and
10	WHEREAS, the Russian president persists in violation of international law and
11	norms of decency by invading the sovereign borders of Ukraine and attempting to
12	overthrow its democratic government; and
13	WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky chooses to join an increasing number
14	of other United States jurisdictions, including New Hampshire, Ohio, Pennsylvania,
15	Texas, and Utah, in halting the sale of vodka produced in Russia;
16	NOW, THEREFORE,
17	Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of
18	Kentucky:
19	\clubsuit Section 1. The Senate stands in solidarity with the people of Ukraine in their
20	fight against Russian oppression, aggression, and annexation.
21	→Section 2. The Senate urges the Commonwealth's alcoholic beverage licensees
22	to stop selling Russian-produced vodka.
23	Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
24	Resolution to the Ukrainian Embassy, 3350 M Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20007.