

1           A RESOLUTION honoring Greg Johnson upon his retirement as the commissioner  
2 of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

3           WHEREAS, Greg Johnson is a lifetime hunter, angler, and outdoorsman, who has  
4 dedicated his life to being a steward of the land and creating memorable experiences for  
5 the people of Kentucky; and

6           WHEREAS, Greg Johnson graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 1979  
7 with a Bachelor of Science degree in wildlife management; and

8           WHEREAS, Greg Johnson began his career with the U.S. Forest Service research  
9 station in Berea, researching better ways to reclaim coal strip mines in Appalachia; and

10          WHEREAS, Greg Johnson then moved to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Soil  
11 Conservation Service as district conservationist for Wayne, McCreary, and Russell  
12 counties, moving to then cover 28 counties as an area conservationist; and

13          WHEREAS, Greg Johnson served eight years as the National Resources  
14 Conservation Society's State Resource Specialist for Kentucky, before serving an eight-  
15 year term in the same capacity for the eight-state Midwest region; and

16          WHEREAS, Greg Johnson was selected in 2004 to serve on the USDA's Senior  
17 Executive Development Program, overseeing a budget of \$1.5 billion, before his  
18 retirement in 2011; and

19          WHEREAS, Greg Johnson returned to Kentucky in hopes of pursuing a job in the  
20 conservation field. In 2014, he was selected to serve as Kentucky's eighth commissioner  
21 of Fish and Wildlife Resources; and

22          WHEREAS, this body rightfully commends Greg Johnson for all that he has done  
23 for the state of Kentucky, thanks him for his many years of service, and grants him the  
24 very best wishes for future success and good fortune as he embarks on a well-earned  
25 retirement;

26          NOW, THEREFORE,

27          *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*

1 ***Kentucky:***

2       ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby offer their sincere commendation  
3 and gratitude to Greg Johnson upon his retirement.

4       ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Greg  
5 Johnson.

6       ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to mail a copy of this  
7 Resolution to Greg Johnson at 511 Forest Oaks Drive, Richmond, Kentucky 40475.