

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing February 16, 2017, as Reading Recovery Day.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Judy Embry established the Reading Recovery Center at the
3 University of Kentucky in 2001 within the Collaborative Center for Literacy
4 Development; and

5 WHEREAS, Reading Recovery is an intense, short-term intervention that provides
6 12 to 20 weeks of daily one-on-one instruction for young struggling readers and writers.
7 Children receive 30-minute daily lessons taught by a highly trained teacher as a
8 supplement to comprehensive classroom literacy; and

9 WHEREAS, Reading Recovery has been recognized by the What Works
10 Clearinghouse as the only intervention that meets all four criteria for effective early
11 reading interventions adopted by the United States Department of Education. The
12 Reading Recovery Center at the University of Kentucky received a five-year grant—
13 "Investing in Innovation and Research"—through the federal government to expand the
14 implementation of Reading Recovery statewide to reach more struggling students and to
15 help break the cycle of literacy failure for primary children in Kentucky; and

16 WHEREAS, over the past 15 years, 33 teacher leaders have been trained and have
17 provided literacy training to more than 1,124 Reading Recovery teachers within 463
18 elementary schools in over 122 districts in Kentucky. This extra literacy support has
19 allowed the Reading Recovery Center, the teacher leaders, and local elementary Reading
20 Recovery teachers to serve more than 209,000 children in one-on-one lessons and small
21 literacy groups;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

25 ➔Section 1. The Senate hereby recognizes February 16, 2017, as Reading
26 Recovery Day.

27 ➔Section 2. The Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator

1 David P. Givens.