

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Governor of Kentucky to revoke the mask  
2 mandate originally issued July 9, 2020, under Executive Order 2020-586 and renewed  
3 periodically since that time.

4 WHEREAS, under the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the  
5 Commonwealth of Kentucky, the separation of powers is a vital part of our form of  
6 government in that it ensures that each branch of government exercises only that authority  
7 properly assigned to it by law; and

8 WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the three branches of government to act as checks  
9 on one another's power in order to vigorously protect and defend the principle of  
10 separation of powers, so as to protect the people from government overreach; and

11 WHEREAS, on July 9, 2020, the Governor of Kentucky issued Executive Order  
12 2020-586 requiring citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to wear masks to address  
13 the coronavirus pandemic, and that executive order has been renewed periodically since  
14 that time, most recently on February 1, 2021; and

15 WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky can and  
16 should take immediate action to protect its power under the Constitution of the  
17 Commonwealth of Kentucky and protect the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky  
18 from government overreach;

19 NOW, THEREFORE,

20 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

21 ➔Section 1. The Governor of Kentucky is directed to revoke the mask mandate  
22 that was originally issued on July 9, 2020, as Executive Order 2020-586 and renewed  
23 periodically since that time.

24 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall send a copy of this  
25 Resolution to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate President, and  
26 Governor Andy Beshear, Room 100, State Capitol, 700 Capitol Avenue, Frankfort,  
27 Kentucky 40601.