

A RESOLUTION recognizing the efforts and accomplishments of Homeplace on Green River.

WHEREAS, Homeplace on Green River, bordering the Green River and Tebbs Bend Civil War campground and battlefield, is a 227-acre working farm on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the original home was built in 1803 by Isaac Tate, and over the course of its years, the farm has been a home to three families, the Tates, Buchanans, and Halls. The Homeplace on Green River was conceived in the late 1900s and established by volunteers in Adair, Green, and Taylor Counties in 2001; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Homeplace on Green River is to promote and protect agriculture, natural resources, and rural America by using education to advocate agriculture and agritourism; and

WHEREAS, the farm is entirely maintained by volunteers who restore buildings and give farm tours demonstrating agriculture production; and

WHEREAS, this historic farm has been used for nearly every agriculture activity practiced in Kentucky and is an ever-changing environment, making it a unique educational opportunity and classroom for all ages; and

WHEREAS, Lindsey Wilson College makes regular use of the farm as an outdoor classroom, and Boy Scouts utilize the grounds for camping and outdoor activities and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Homeplace on Green River has registered and secured the exclusive name of "Kentucky's Outdoor Classroom" with the Kentucky Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, major efforts are underway to construct new buildings including animal holding and presentation facilities, a replica of a tenant's home, and a butterfly garden; and

WHEREAS, Homeplace on Green River is supported financially and physically by many organizations in the restoration and operation of the farm, and much of the annual

operating revenue for the farm comes from 100 acres of land leased for annual growing of agriculture products; and

WHEREAS, Homeplace on Green River offers a living, learning, and working farm that has remained 97 percent debt-free and has committed volunteers, a Board of Directors, and national, state, and community support;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Senate declares our appreciation to this historic farm and all its volunteers for their dedication to the protection and promotion of agriculture in the Commonwealth and for providing strong and unique educational opportunities to individuals of all ages.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns today, it does so in honor of Homeplace on Green River, Kentucky's Outdoor Classroom.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Homeplace on Green River, 5807 New Columbia Road, Campbellsville, Kentucky 42718.