

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Kelly Craft, United States Ambassador to the United
2 Nations.

3 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this august body honor those Kentuckians who
4 represent our Commonwealth with the utmost pride, dignity, and distinction; and

5 WHEREAS, in so doing, the members rightfully honor Kelly Craft, a proud native
6 of Lexington and a Kentuckian of the highest standing; and

7 WHEREAS, Kelly Craft previously served as United States Ambassador to Canada,
8 and was the first woman to hold that position; and

9 WHEREAS, on September 10, 2019, upon a nomination by President Donald J.
10 Trump, Kelly Craft was officially sworn in as United States Ambassador to the United
11 Nations after having been confirmed by the United States Senate; and

12 WHEREAS, throughout her life, Kelly Craft has worked tirelessly as a
13 philanthropist and, along with her husband, Joseph Craft III, as a staunch advocate of her
14 alma mater, the University of Kentucky, where she has been a member of the UK Board
15 of Trustees; and

16 WHEREAS, Kelly Craft has been instrumental in the bettering of education across
17 this Commonwealth, founding, along with her husband, the Craft Academy for
18 Excellence in Science and Mathematics at Morehead State University; and

19 WHEREAS, Kelly Craft has served in leadership roles with the Salvation Army of
20 Lexington and the Center for Rural Development, and has worked with the Kentucky Arts
21 Council and the United Way of the Bluegrass; and

22 WHEREAS, for more than two decades, Kelly Craft has passionately supported the
23 Republican Party in Kentucky, and has sought to organize and fundraise on behalf of
24 causes dear to her; and

25 WHEREAS, it is rare that a person so uniquely cut from Kentucky's cloth, a woman
26 who embodies the spirit and character of what it means to be a Kentuckian, is nominated
27 to serve in one of the most important ambassadorships in the United States; and

1 WHEREAS, in this spirit, and in rightful commendation of one of Kentucky's most
2 exemplary daughters, this body grants best wishes to Kelly Craft as she continues her
3 duties as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations, and thanks her for her
4 myriad contributions to the people of this Commonwealth and this nation;

5 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

8 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby honor Kelly Craft and grant her
9 best wishes as she continues her duties as United States Ambassador to the United
10 Nations.

11 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Kelly Craft.

12 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
13 Resolution to Senator Robert Stivers II for delivery.