

1 A RESOLUTION requesting that due diligence and environmentally sound
2 practices be used in any future repurposing, conversion, and reuse of an existing natural
3 gas pipeline traversing the state.

4 WHEREAS, this Commonwealth strives diligently to maintain the pristine quality
5 of its air, water, agricultural land, and parks and recreation areas through environmental
6 laws and administrative regulations; and

7 WHEREAS, recent regulatory actions by the Federal Energy Regulatory
8 Commission may allow for the repurposing and future conversion of an existing natural
9 gas pipeline, extending from Greenup County in the north to Simpson County in the
10 south, to transport natural gas liquids through the Commonwealth; and

11 WHEREAS, according to the United States Energy Information Administration,
12 natural gas liquids are hydrocarbons such as ethane, propane, butane, isobutane, and
13 pentane, which are used primarily as fuel or as feedstock for plastics and chemical
14 manufacturing; and

15 WHEREAS, natural gas pipelines differ in their operations from natural gas liquids
16 pipelines, and significant resources and improvements would be required to repurpose a
17 pipeline; and

18 WHEREAS, Kentucky has more inland rivers and streams than any other state; and

19 WHEREAS, some of the state's complex waterways interact with the world-
20 renowned Mammoth Cave; and

21 WHEREAS, this esteemed body collectively shares a bond of protection for all the
22 Commonwealth's natural treasures to be enjoyed by citizens and visitors alike;

23 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

26 ➔Section 1. This honorable body expresses its concerns about the proposed
27 repurposing of an existing natural gas pipeline and expresses its expectations of due

- 1 diligence by proponents and state and federal regulators should the project come to full
- 2 realization, and requests that any future repurposing practices be approached in the most
- 3 environmentally and socially responsible way.