

A RESOLUTION honoring Emmanuel Blake Dawson.

WHEREAS, Blake Dawson is a 17-year-old senior at the prestigious Brown School in Louisville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, during the course of his senior year, Blake Dawson has been offered college scholarships totaling \$1,002,836 from such prestigious institutions as the University of Louisville, Fisk University, Florida A&M University, and eight other universities across the country; and

WHEREAS, Blake Dawson has been offered these scholarships not only because of his impressive academic record, but also because he has worked so hard and sacrificed so much to call attention to his many accomplishments. In his application essays, he has written about his involvement in debate club, his hours of community service, as well as his impeccable grade point average and entrance test score, and it is his intricate knowledge of which scholarships are available along with his uncommon willingness to work hard that have made it possible for him to achieve his dream of graduating from college debt-free; and

WHEREAS, Blake Dawson has decided to attend Florida A&M University in Tallahassee, Florida, because he wanted to attend a historic black university and the representatives at Florida A&M have made him feel like family; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body on this day commends Blake Dawson for being an example to all other students in this Commonwealth and for all the hard work he has put in to the college application process, and grants him best wishes as he prepares to leave the Brown School for Florida A&M University;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Senate hereby honors Emmanuel Blake Dawson on receiving more than one million dollars in scholarship offers, and acknowledges the unwavering

support his father, Greg Dawson, and his mother, Opal Dawson, have given him along the way.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Emmanuel Blake Dawson.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Gerald A. Neal for delivery.