

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Senator Joe Bowen upon his retirement from the
2 Senate.

3 WHEREAS, Senator Joseph R. Bowen, a 1968 graduate of Daviess County High
4 School and a 1972 graduate of the University of Kentucky, where he earned his degree in
5 business administration, has proudly represented Senate District 8 since 2011; and

6 WHEREAS, Senator Bowen, a former member of the Kentucky House of
7 Representatives from 2005 until 2006, is a staple of his beloved Owensboro Community.
8 He is a partner at Bowen Tire Company, which was founded by Senator Bowen's father
9 and has served the Owensboro region since 1949. He is also past chair of the Owensboro
10 YMCA Board and the Kentucky State Parks Foundation Board, and a past member of the
11 Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital, Inc. Board; and

12 WHEREAS, Senator Bowen is a longtime advocate of Owensboro youth sports,
13 serving as both an administrator and a coach for several youth teams; and

14 WHEREAS, Senator Bowen serves as chair of the State and Local Government
15 Committee and as co-chair of the State Employee Pension Oversight Board. He also
16 serves on the Licensing, Occupations, and Administrative Regulations, Transportation,
17 and Health and Welfare Committees; on the Subcommittee on Energy; and is a liaison
18 member of the Budget Review Subcommittee on General Government, Finance, and
19 Public Protection; and

20 WHEREAS, Senator Joe Bowen is rightfully honored on this day for his exemplary
21 service to the Commonwealth as a member of the Senate; and

22 WHEREAS, Senator Bowen's tireless work on behalf of his constituents is justly
23 acknowledged, and for his seven years of service to this body, for the countless hours he
24 has spent working on behalf of his beloved district, and for his achievements as a human
25 being of the first order, he is commended and granted best wishes as he begins a new
26 chapter of his life;

27 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

3 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby salute the Senator from Daviess 8,
4 Senator Joe Bowen; express their sincere appreciation for his service to his community,
5 the General Assembly, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and wish him Godspeed as
6 he awaits new and exciting challenges.

7 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Senator Joe
8 Bowen.

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