

1 A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in honor and loving memory of Thomas B.
2 Wine.

3 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine served the citizens of Jefferson County as a
4 prosecutor and judge for more than 40 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was sworn in as Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney
6 in Jefferson County in 1980; and

7 WHEREAS, in 1982, Thomas B. Wine was awarded prosecutor of the year; and

8 WHEREAS, in 1984, Thomas B. Wine began work at the Kentucky Attorney
9 General's Office where he served as chief of the Leviticus Unit, was an assistant in the
10 Special Prosecutions Unit, and served from 1986 to 1987 as the first Director of the
11 Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Control Unit; and

12 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine returned to the Office of Commonwealth's Attorney
13 in Jefferson County in January 1988, where he served as Division Chief until December
14 1990; and

15 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was elected to the Jefferson Circuit Court and began
16 his first term in 1992; and

17 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was recognized by the Louisville Bar Association as
18 Judge of the Year in 1997; and

19 WHEREAS, after being reelected in 1999 to serve a second term on the Jefferson
20 Circuit Court, Thomas B. Wine was elected by his peers as Chief Judge in 2000; and

21 WHEREAS, in September 2000, Chief Justice Joseph Lambert appointed Thomas
22 B. Wine to serve on the Racial Fairness Commission; and

23 WHEREAS, in August 2006, Thomas B. Wine was appointed by Governor Ernie
24 Fletcher to the Kentucky Court of Appeals and subsequently was elected to a full term
25 later that year; and

26 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was then appointed by Chief Justice Lambert to chair
27 the Kentucky Court of Justice Records Retention Task Force and later by Chief Justice

1 John Minton to serve as the first chair of the Technology Governance Committee of the
2 Kentucky Court of Justice as well as a member of the County Law Library Task Force;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, in 2012, Thomas B. Wine resigned from the bench to pursue the
5 opportunity to again serve as Jefferson County's top prosecutor and was reelected in
6 2018; and

7 WHEREAS, in addition to his extensive legal career, Thomas B. Wine was heavily
8 involved in the Boy Scouts of America, the Louisville Bar Association, the Jefferson
9 County Racial Fairness Committee, and Revolution Church; and

10 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was recognized in 2009 with the Fair Administration
11 of Justice Award from the Kentucky Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the
12 Community Service Award presented by the Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, in 1996,
13 and the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award a Boy Scout Council can give to a
14 volunteer, in 2012; and

15 WHEREAS, Thomas B. Wine was preceded in death by his parents, William and
16 Dorothy Wine, and is survived by his devoted wife of 36 years, Anne Marie Wine; his
17 two sons, Daniel (Cassidy) and Matthew; his granddaughter, Autumn; and three brothers,
18 Dennis, John, and David;

19 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

22 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate, individually and collectively, hereby
23 extend their most profound sympathy upon the passing of Thomas B. Wine, and
24 posthumously thank him for his many contributions to the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

25 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor and loving
26 memory of Thomas B. Wine.

27 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this

- 1 Resolution to Senator David Yates for delivery to the family.