

1           A RESOLUTION acknowledging the events of January 6, 2021, at the United  
2 States Capitol and recognizing the citizens who have been held without due process.

3           WHEREAS, citizens from across the United States, including this Commonwealth  
4 exercised their First Amendment rights of free speech and assembly to express their  
5 frustration with the electoral process on January 6, 2021; and

6           WHEREAS, many of the citizens who assembled on January 6, 2021, have been  
7 wrongfully detained for exercising their constitutional rights; and

8           WHEREAS, many of the January 6 protestors, including many citizens of this  
9 Commonwealth, have been unconstitutionally held without the right to due process and  
10 the right to a speedy trial by a jury of their peers; and

11           WHEREAS, the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States  
12 Constitution mandate that a person shall not "be deprived of life, liberty, or property  
13 without due process of law"; and

14           WHEREAS, information on the events that led to the January 6, 2021, riots has  
15 been rapidly evolving as more becomes known to the public; and

16           WHEREAS, much of the information to which the public has a right to know  
17 regarding January 6, 2021, has been withheld from the public; and

18           WHEREAS, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Michael  
19 Johnson, has released footage of the events that led to the January 6, 2021, riots so that  
20 the people can make intelligent and informed conclusions about what happened on  
21 January 6; and

22           WHEREAS, in spite of efforts to provide all relevant information as to what led to  
23 the January 6, 2021, riots, much of that information is still being withheld from the  
24 public; and

25           WHEREAS, as information about January 6, 2021, continues to be withheld from  
26 the public, many citizens, including citizens of this Commonwealth, continue to be  
27 unconstitutionally detained for exercising their constitutional rights; and

1           WHEREAS, the rights of freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, and due process  
2 are essential to a functioning democracy and are constitutionally guaranteed to all  
3 citizens; and

4           WHEREAS, the Senate acknowledges the pressure and duress that many innocent  
5 January 6 protestors have endured, having been wrongfully accused or detained as  
6 prisoners in Washington, D.C., and whose lives and their families, have been adversely  
7 damaged while exercising their constitutional rights;

8           NOW, THEREFORE,

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

11           ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby acknowledge the events of  
12 January 6, 2021, and recognize those citizens who have been wrongfully held without  
13 due process.

14           ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
15 Resolution to Senator Lindsey Tichenor.