# GENERAL ASSEMBLY
## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## 2016 REGULAR SESSION

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 135

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The following concurrent resolution was reported to the House from the Senate and ordered to be printed.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Kentucky Educational Television
2 and encouraging all cable and satellite providers to offer KET programming to their
3 customers.
4 WHEREAS, since the establishment of the Kentucky Authority for Educational
5 Television in 1962 by the General Assembly to serve as the governing board for
6 Kentucky Educational Television (KET), KET has served as an innovative and efficient
7 producer of education resources for the classroom and Kentucky's highest-quality source
8 for public affairs and cultural programming; and
9 WHEREAS, since its first broadcast on September 23, 1968, limited to weekdays
10 during school hours, it has increased and enhanced access to educational sources across
11 the Commonwealth; and
12 WHEREAS, from that modest beginning, KET is now Kentucky's largest
13 classroom, serving more than one million people each week via multiple-channel
14 television, online, and mobile media offerings; and
15 WHEREAS, KET's mission is to make Kentucky a better place and strengthen its
16 communities by educating, inspiring, informing, and connecting its citizens through the
17 power of public media; and
18 WHEREAS, KET's vision is to distinguish itself as the most-trusted, preeminent
19 source of high-quality educational and public media -- in classrooms, homes, and
20 communities -- to meet the diverse needs of Kentucky; and
21 WHEREAS, KET produces and provides innovative and relevant programs and
22 services, giving all citizens access to in-depth information and to cultural and educational
23 opportunities; and
24 WHEREAS, KET has provided educational courses to middle and high school
25 students in Kentucky and throughout the nation since 1989, and continues to lead the way
26 in distance learning with new courses and unprecedented multimedia resources; and
27 WHEREAS, KET is committed to working with Kentucky's P-12 schools and

1 teachers to boost student achievement by providing a full-day digital broadcast channel of
2 instructional and professional development programs, as well as supplementary and
3 stand-alone print, online, and multimedia resources, accompanied by offering in-school
4 workshops, one-on-one consultations, and continuing education events to help teachers
5 make the most effective use of these materials; and
6 WHEREAS, KET programs can help Kentucky's licensed, certified, and registered
7 early childhood education professionals earn credit toward state licensing requirements
8 through online courses, DVDs and videos, and a lending library program; and
9 WHEREAS, since 1975, KET has maintained a strong commitment to assisting
10 Kentucky's adult learners with GED and high school assessment preparation and to
11 supplying adult education providers with access to resources; and
12 WHEREAS, all of KET's channels and programming are available free to any cable
13 or satellite operator in order to ensure access to all corners of the Commonwealth;
14 NOW, THEREFORE,
15 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***
16 ***Kentucky, the House of Representatives concurring therein:***
17 ➔Section 1. Kentucky Educational Television is recognized and commended for
18 its significant contribution to learning across the Commonwealth, and for its commitment
19 to serving as Kentucky's highest-quality source for public affairs and cultural
20 programming.
21 ➔Section 2. All cable and satellite operators not currently offering KET
22 programming are hereby encouraged to contact KET at (800) 432-0951, ext. 7212 for
23 information on cost-free access.
24 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
25 Resolution to Ms. Shae Hopkins, KET Executive Director and CEO, Kentucky
26 Educational Television, 600 Cooper Drive, Lexington, Kentucky 40502; and to Senator
27 Stan Humphries, 702 Capitol Avenue Annex Room 209, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

President of Senate

Speaker-House of Representatives

Attest: Chief Clerk of Senate

Approved Governor

Date 9 APRIL 2016