

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Bridgett Ann Howard, designating October 12 as  
2 Pressure Sore Awareness Day, and urging all Kentuckians to remember the regulatory  
3 penalties in her memory.

4 WHEREAS, Bridgett Ann Howard was a proud daughter of this Commonwealth,  
5 born on June 18, 1981, to Tommy and Kathy Howard; and

6 WHEREAS, Bridgett Ann Howard was diagnosed with spina bifida at birth. In  
7 2012, Bridgett began to suffer from pancreatitis, and during that time, she developed  
8 pressure ulcers, known as decubitus. Bridgett Ann Howard lost her battle on October 12,  
9 2013, after becoming septic; and

10 WHEREAS, 900 KAR 2:040 is the administrative regulation promulgated by the  
11 Cabinet for Health and Family Services that sets forth the penalty categories for certain  
12 physical and mental harm affecting residents of long-term care facilities. The cabinet  
13 rewrote the regulation for Type A violations and affirmed the status of decubitus as a  
14 Type A violation, effective February 21, 2019;

15 NOW, THEREFORE,

16 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*  
17 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

18 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby express their  
19 most profound condolences for the passing of Ms. Bridgett Ann Howard.

20 ➔Section 2. The House of Representatives urges all Kentuckians to remember  
21 Bridgett Ann Howard's fight against decubitus and to applaud its listing as a Type A  
22 violation. The amendment listing decubitus as Type A should be known hereafter as the  
23 Bridgett Ann Howard Regulatory Amendment to 900 KAR 2:040.

24 ➔Section 3. The House of Representatives declares October 12, 2019, as Pressure  
25 Sore Awareness Day in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

26 ➔Section 4. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a  
27 copy of this Resolution to Representative John Blanton for delivery.