

1 A RESOLUTION honoring Mary Sue Helm for over four decades of public service
2 in the Commonwealth.

3 WHEREAS, Mary Sue Helm has served the Commonwealth for more than 40
4 years, starting her with her work with the Jefferson County Clerk and continuing to her
5 present service with the Secretary of State; and

6 WHEREAS, Mary Sue Helm is Director of the Secretary of State's Office of
7 Administration and Elections. As Director, Ms. Helm manages fiscal and personnel
8 matters, public documents, legal affairs, and special projects and commissions, and
9 oversees divisions that attest and keep a register of official acts of the Governor, and
10 oversees candidate filings and certification of candidate names on ballots. She has
11 overseen more than 80 elections and the filings of countless candidates, including the
12 members of this august body; and

13 WHEREAS, Mary Sue Helm has worked with state government for over 30 years,
14 most of which have been in the Office of the Secretary of State. She has served as
15 Director of Administration under Secretary Bremer Ehrler and Director of Administration
16 and Director of Corporations under Secretary Bob Babbage. She was Director of
17 Elections under Secretary Babbage and remained in that position under Secretary John Y.
18 Brown II and Secretary Trey Grayson. Ms. Helm was acting Director of the State Board
19 of Elections for over four years, and most recently was Special Elections Assistant to
20 Secretary Alison Lundergan Grimes; and

21 WHEREAS, Mary Sue Helm has an ever-present smile and treats all citizens with
22 respect. Her knowledge of election law and the election process is unparalleled, and she
23 has been a constant resource for county clerks across the Commonwealth; and

24 WHEREAS, Mary Sue Helm has been recognized on the national and state levels
25 for her work promoting civic and election education and civic engagements;

26 NOW, THEREFORE,

27 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***

1 ***Kentucky:***

2 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate honor Mary Sue Helm for her more than
3 four decades of service to the Commonwealth and extend their profound appreciation for
4 her tireless energy and integrity in upholding the democratic processes so vital to the
5 Kentucky Constitution.

6 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Mary Sue
7 Helm.

8 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit one copy of this
9 Resolution to Senator Julian Carroll for delivery.