



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

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Legislation Text

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A Resolution proclaiming the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's support of the issuing of a stamp to honor Muhammad Ali. [Council Office, Maynard]

WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service honors extraordinary individuals who have contributed to American society, history, culture or environment; and

WHEREAS, the stamp program was created to commemorate positive contributions to American life, history, and culture; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali, Louisville's native son, clearly has contributed to American society, history, and culture as a singular and renowned figure in and transcending sports, civil rights, peace, activism, freedom of thought and faith, global influence, and humanitarianism; and

WHEREAS, as an athlete, Ali, affectionately named the "Louisville Lip" was the 1960 Olympic light heavyweight boxing gold medalist, three-time heavyweight champion of the world, and Sports Illustrated Athlete of the 20th Century; and

WHEREAS, as a world figure, Ali utilized his fame and influence to promote equality and social change for the advancement of lives of all people; and

WHEREAS, as a thinker and a doer, Ali promoted confidence, dedication, respect and love for all people; and

WHEREAS, as a role model Ali left us with lessons that packed humor, truth and suffering; such as, "A man who has no imagination has no wings," and "He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life," and "I wish people would love everybody else the way they love me. It would be a better world," and "You lose nothing when fighting for a cause," and "My

principles are more important than the money or my title;" and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali also said "I should be a postage stamp. That's the only way I'll ever get licked."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

SECTION 1 - That the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, by and through its Council, supports the Get the Champ a Stamp movement to create an official postal stamp to honor the late Muhammad Ali, whose contributions to our nation and out world, will forever be part of our history and a reminder that, even since his passing, he will never be licked.

SECTION 2 - This Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
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