

# THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

*The House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Kentucky  
hereby recognizes the celebration of*

## World Tobacco Growers Day

*which was established to acknowledge the vital role tobacco growers play in the world economy as well as their prominent role in the agri-business economies of Kentucky and the United States of America. Kentucky continues to lead all other states in the production of burley tobacco, despite the dramatic decline in the number of growers over the last decade; the remaining burley growers are adjusting to the shifting demand for tobacco for cigarettes and smokeless products as well as the growing competition of electronic cigarettes. In their efforts to control costs, tobacco producers are using well developed crop rotation schemes in their diversified farming operations; while the declining availability of migrant workers has led to innovations in mechanized methods of planting, harvesting and curing tobacco. In its second year, this unique event has spotlighted the achievements and contributions of tobacco growers and honors them for their dedicated and essential efforts to ensure the ongoing economic vitality of their communities, the Commonwealth and this Nation. It is with great resolve that the members of this honorable body join Representative Wilson Stone in recognizing World Tobacco Growers Day on October 28, 2013, and in paying tribute to the thousands of growers throughout Kentucky for their contributions to this Commonwealth and Nation.*



*Done in Frankfort, Kentucky, this  
twenty-eighth of October, in the year  
two thousand thirteen.*

*Gregory D. Stumbo*  
Speaker, House of Representatives

Member, House of Representatives