

## Model Legislation for Charlie Kirk Free Speech Day

HOUSE/SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

*Designating October 14, in 2025 [or 2026 if not currently in session] and in each succeeding year, as the Charlie Kirk Free Speech Day in [name of state].*

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was a nationally-known speaker, author, radio talk show host, political activist, husband, and father; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was assassinated on September 10, 2025, while speaking at a university on one of his many campus visits in which he encouraged students who had accepted his invitation to challenge his views on political and cultural issues; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk will be posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, recognizing his contributions as a leader of our nation's youth; and

WHEREAS, over his esteemed career, Charlie Kirk had authored six books, hosted a radio talk show and podcast, was a columnist at Newsweek, made over a thousand appearances on news shows on television; and authored articles published in various news sites; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk founded the nonprofit organization Turning Point USA, a nationwide youth organization whose mission was, in part, to empower young people to promote freedom; and

WHEREAS, this nonprofit organization, Turning Point USA, has a presence at over 3,500 high school and college campuses, has over 2,000 student groups, has over 800 faith groups nationwide, and has over 250,000 student members; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk had published six books, and had lectured at multiple national and international conferences, presenting the values he boldly embodied: Life, Truth, Faith, and Family; and

WHEREAS, in his advocacy for free speech, Charlie Kirk ensured that dissenting voices, especially those of the next generation, would be able to flourish in the public square; and

WHEREAS, a holiday would serve not only as a tribute to Charlie's life and work, but as a call for people to seek out peaceful, productive dialogue with those of differing beliefs; now, therefore, be it



RESOLVED by the House of Representatives [or House of Delegates], the Senate concurring, That the [State Legislature/General Assembly/Legislative Assembly] designate October 14, in 2025 [or 2026 if not currently in session] and in each succeeding year, as the Charlie Kirk Free Speech Day in \_\_\_\_\_[state]; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the [House of Representatives/House of Delegates/Senate] transmit a copy of this resolution to Erika Kirk, widow of Charlie Kirk, so that the members of the community may be apprised of the sense of the [State Legislature/General Assembly/Legislative Assembly] of [name of State] in this matter; and, be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Clerk of the [House of Representatives/Delegates/Senate] of \_\_\_\_\_ post the designation of this day on the [State Legislature/General Assembly/Legislative Assembly]'s website.