



# PROCLAMATION

COUNTY OF KENTON  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

**WHEREAS:** Burr Travis retired after 38 years as a criminal defense attorney for the express purpose of volunteering as an assistant prosecutor in the Kenton County Commonwealth's Attorney Office. Mr. Travis saw a need to treat defendants with addiction related charges differently. Mr. Travis' leadership, devotion, and volunteered time led to the establishment of the Heroin Expedited Addiction Recovery & Treatment (HEART) program, which has since been recognized on state and national levels for innovation; and

**WHEREAS:** Burr Travis has collected donations since 1977 to buy toys as Christmas presents for needy children, as well as sponsoring a Christmas dinner for the homeless. He has been able to provide over 100,000 toys to children in need over the last 44 years. He donates his time to different community service organizations such as: Transitions, the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Racing Health and Welfare Commission, the Board of Directors of Old School, Chairman of Licensing for the Kentucky Racing Commission from 2008-2017 and was on the Board for the Greater Cincinnati Foundation; and

**WHEREAS:** Mr. Travis has won numerous awards in his career, such as the NorthKey Community Care 2017 Ray of Hope Award, Transitions 2016 Tin Cup Award, Oasis Man of the Year and the Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Kentucky President Award.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** We, the Kenton County Fiscal Court do hereby proclaim Burr Travis as a:

## 2020 KENTON COUNTY PIONEER AWARD HONOREE

In witness thereof, we have hereunto set our hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the County of Kenton, Kentucky.

Judge/Executive Kris A. Knochelmann

Commissioner Beth Sewell

Commissioner Dr. Jon Draud

Commissioner Joe Nienaber