



# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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Governor Andy Beshear  
State Capitol  
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Dear Governor Beshear:

For more than two decades now, I have had the honor to serve as state representative of the 42<sup>nd</sup> House District, a role enabling me to give back to a community and a commonwealth that have given so much to me. This opportunity has truly enriched my life, and I will be forever grateful to those who made it possible and for the numerous friends I have made along the way.

With that thought very much in mind, I am writing to announce that the time has arrived for my career in public service to end. As such, please accept this letter as a formal announcement of my retirement from the Kentucky House of Representatives, effective at the end of business today.

I want to make clear that I have not lost my desire to represent my constituents and to fight for causes dear to them and me and so many others across Kentucky. I instead see myself as part of a relay team, where the baton handed off to me in 2000 is now poised to be given to someone else who can move us further down the track. I may be spending the years ahead focusing on my health and spending time with family, but I will always consider myself part of this important team.

As I look back over my tenure, I feel a sense of pride when reviewing the accomplishments we have made in Jefferson County and across the state. At the same time, we still have a long way to go, a dichotomy we can see most vividly in our schools, our economy, and our enduring struggle to make equity more than a pleasant-sounding word. We need a government that works for all of us, not just some of us, and I will never stop cheering those on who march under this banner.



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For now, I want to thank everyone who has made my time in office, both locally and in the Capitol, some of the best years of my life. I will be forever grateful and proud that I had the chance to do what a life in public service is meant to do: Make a difference.

Thank you, Governor Beshear, for your leadership and for setting the stage to elect my successor in the weeks ahead. I stand ready to do whatever I can to make that process run smoothly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Reginald Meeks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

State Representative Reginald Meeks  
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