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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

RECOGNIZING APRIL 6, 2023, AS ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY OR "AKA DAY AT THE CAPITAL" IN DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is 115 years young and was founded on the campus of Howard 2 University in Washington, D.C., and has been in continuous existence since January 15, 1908; and 3 WHEREAS, Ethel Hedgemon Lyle, Anna Easter Brown, Beulah Burke, Lillian Burke, Marjorie Hill, Margaret 4 Flagg Holmes, Lavinia Norman, Lucy Diggs Slowe and Marie Woolfolk Taylor, established the first Greek-lettered 5 organization by and for Black college-educated women; and 6 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. consisting of over 300,000 members globally, has broken records 7 for community service to all mankind, totaling over one million hours, particularly in Black neighborhoods; and 8 WHEREAS, Zeta Omega, Epsilon Iota Omega, Sigma Zeta Omega, Alpha Alpha Mu Omega, and Alpha Alpha 9 Tau Omega Graduate Chapters, Delta Lambda and Lambda Gamma Undergraduate Chapters influence and civic 10 contributions have brought about economic security, environmental sustainability and addresses issues of global poverty, 11 social justice and spiritual change throughout Delaware, as well as nationally and internationally; and 12 WHEREAS, Zeta Omega, Epsilon Iota Omega, Sigma Zeta Omega, Alpha Alpha Mu Omega, and Alpha Alpha 13 Tau Omega Graduate Chapters, Delta Lambda and Lambda Gamma Undergraduate Chapters, and their members have been 14 actively involved in our local communities by spearheading the Debutante Ball and AKAette Scholarship Program, Life 15 Enrichment Programs for boys and girls, Pink Goes Red promoting Heart Health Initiatives, hosting global impact days that 16 provided clothing to students in Haiti, and sponsoring shoe drives, while partnering with like-minded organizations to host 17 civic engagement awareness programs such as School Board Candidate Forums, advocates to eliminate educational, health 18 and economic disparities, voters registration and relevant legislation and laws; and many other community focused 19 contributions; and 20 WHEREAS, for the twentieth consecutive year the members of Delaware's Graduate Chapters of Alpha Kappa 21 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Zeta Omega, Epsilon Iota Omega, Sigma Zeta Omega, Alpha Alpha Mu Omega, and Alpha Page 1 of 2

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Alpha Tau Omega have provided consistent guidance in advocacy to the Delaware General Assembly; and are joined in	n
service by Delta Lambda and Lambda Gamma Undergraduate Chapters, all serving Delaware communities; and	

WHEREAS, today, more than ever Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated's thoughts and interests are important to help improve, strengthen and ensure that responsible legislation and public policy is enacted to govern the great state of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, Soaring to Greater Heights of Service and Sisterhood; through their committed talent and resources, the current International Program Initiatives Focusing on Empowering Our Families; Enhance Our Environment; Build Economic Wealth; Uplift the Local Community; Advocate for Social Justice; Strengthen Our Sisterhood; are the current Initiatives of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Sorority, Incorporated have undoubtedly provided and will continue to provide advocacy and service to all mankind.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring therein, that April 6, 2023, shall be "AKA Day at the Capital" in Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution recognizes April 6, 2023, as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated or "AKA Day at the Capital" in Delaware.

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