

A RESOLUTION honoring the women of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded on January 15, 1908, at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and was incorporated in 1913; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is the oldest Greek letter organization established by African American college-trained women; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority continues today as a service-oriented organization with over 265,000 undergraduate and alumnae members from all over the world who represent a diverse constituency of women from educators to heads of state, politicians, lawyers, medical professionals, media personalities, and decision-makers of major corporations; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority has responded to the world's increasing complexity and continues to empower communities through exemplary service initiatives and progressive activities such as economic education, creating exposure and opportunities for women entrepreneurs, adopting and assisting families, and improving the mental and physical health of local communities; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha's Educational Advancement Foundation has a mission to promote lifelong learning, providing scholarships, fellowships, and community assistance awards in communities across the United States and internationally; and

WHEREAS, the service and accomplishments of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority are too numerous to name, although recent accomplishments include: a focus on Childhood Hunger Initiatives, which is part of the sorority's "family strengthening" pledge, and the Acts of Green Program, which will promote environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, this illustrious group of women has taken to heart the words of Booker T. Washington, "If you want to lift yourself up, lift someone else up," and continues to live, advocate for, and embody the sorority's mission;

NOW, THEREFORE,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

➔Section 1. This Honorable body does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, for its service to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Beta Gamma Omega Chapter, P.O. Box 11405, Lexington, Kentucky 40575.