

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the Delta Epsilon chapter of the Delta Tau Delta  
2 fraternity on the historic milestone of its 100th anniversary at the University of Kentucky.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 1858 at Bethany College, in Bethany, West Virginia, the  
4 Delta Tau Delta fraternity has 137 chapters and colonies in 39 states and the District of  
5 Columbia. Delta Tau Delta is committed to develop its members' leadership skills,  
6 academic achievement, community service and to help launch successful careers; and

7 WHEREAS, local fraternity members and alumni of Tau Delta Alpha were installed  
8 as the charter members of the Delta Epsilon chapter of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity on  
9 May 10, 1924, at the University of Kentucky; and

10 WHEREAS, Delta Tau Delta has upheld its charter at the University of Kentucky  
11 for 100 years, only entering a brief period of inactive status during World War II, when  
12 most of their fraternity brothers entered military service. Answering the call to service for  
13 their nation, seven active and alumni members were killed in action during World War II;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, the Delta Epsilon chapter at University of Kentucky is a leader within  
16 the national Delta Tau Delta organization. The Delta Epsilon chapter has received the  
17 Hugh Shield Award for Chapter Excellence seven times. The Hugh Shield Award is  
18 presented to the top 10 chapters in recognition of overall excellence in chapter finance,  
19 recruitment, membership education, academics, alumni relations, and community service;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, at the University of Kentucky, Delta Tau Delta has been recognized as  
22 a top fraternity on campus. It's excellence on campus can be substantiated by members  
23 filling ranks of student organizations, honorary societies, student government, the student  
24 newspaper, and the Interfraternity Council. The Delta Tau Delta brothers actively  
25 participate and succeed in intramural athletics, the All-Campus and Greek Sing  
26 competitions, and many other campus events; and

27 WHEREAS, Delta Tau Delta's mission, "Committed to Lives of Excellence," can

1 be demonstrated by the honorable list of alumni who have shaped the history of  
2 Kentucky, including: former United States Congressmen Ed Whitfield and Harley Rouda;  
3 former United States Congressman and Governor Ernie Fletcher; former Governor Steve  
4 Beshear; former Chief Justice of the Commonwealth Robert F. Stephens; former State  
5 Auditor Adam Edelen; former State Treasurer Todd Hollenbach; and numerous state and  
6 local leaders; and

7 WHEREAS, the Delta Epsilon chapter of Delta Tau Delta remains committed to its  
8 century-long pledge to the fundamental principles of truth, courage, faith, and power and  
9 to carry these principles forward with integrity, strength, and steadfast hope for future  
10 generations;

11 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

14 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate do hereby recognize and celebrate May  
15 10, 2024, as the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Delta Epsilon chapter of the  
16 Delta Tau Delta fraternity at the University of Kentucky.

17 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
18 Resolution to Senator Amanda Mays Bledsoe for delivery to the members of the Delta  
19 Tau Delta fraternity.