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House Resolution 103

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 135<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 134<sup>th</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, and Pezold of the 133<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Maggie Parrish Williams; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Maggie Parrish Williams has been named a Golden Soror for her 50 devoted
- 3 years of service in the beloved sisterhood Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was born in Swainsboro, Georgia, the beloved daughter of
- 5 Ruben and Anna Gibbons Parrish; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she graduated from Emmanuel County High School with honors before
- 7 attending Fort Valley State University in Fort Valley, Georgia, where she earned a Bachelor
- 8 of Science in education with minors in science and mathematics; a true life-long learner, after
- 9 receiving a National Science Foundation grant to continue her studies, Mrs. Williams
- 10 proceeded to earn a Master of Arts in the teaching of mathematics from the University of
- 11 Detroit; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams served the State of Georgia for 37 dedicated years as a teacher
- 13 at multiple schools, contributing innumerable hours of her time to the bettering of her
- 14 students through quality education; and
- 15 WHEREAS, as a sophomore in college, Mrs. Williams joined the Alpha Beta Chapter of
- 16 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and remained loyal to the sisterhood by joining the
- 17 Gamma Tau Omega graduate chapter in Columbus, Georgia, as she continued her inspiring
- 18 teaching career; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Williams has been a devoted member
- 20 of First African Baptist Church in Columbus, Georgia for over 41 years and has served in
- 21 many ministries and by an example to others in the church community through the sacrifice
- 22 of her time and efforts on behalf of her Savior; and

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23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was united in love and marriage to the late Mark A. Williams,

- 24 and the loving couple was blessed with one remarkable daughter, Monica Williams Smith,
- 25 who has followed her mother's legacy and joined the Kappa Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa
- 26 Alpha Sorority, Inc., at Valdosta State University, and a precious granddaughter, Layla
- 27 Yvette Smith; and
- 28 WHEREAS, Maggie Parrish Williams has made such an example of her life through her
- 29 continued loyalty to her community and the endeavors of the sisterhood she has dutifully
- 30 served for 50 years that she is being honored as a Golden Soror of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc,
- 31 on January 26, 2013.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 33 the members of this body congratulate Maggie Parrish Williams on the occasion of her being
- 34 named a Golden Soror of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., commend her for her services
- as an educator and an active member of the community, and wish her many more happy
- 36 years of friendships, family, and sisterhood.
- 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Maggie Parrish Williams.