

House Resolution 742

By: Representatives Morgan of the 39th, Randall of the 142nd, and Bennett of the 94th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Kappa Omega Chapter, during the month of
2 March; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded in 1908 at Howard University, in
4 Washington, D.C., and has over 945 chapters worldwide; and

5 WHEREAS, the purpose of the sorority is to address major concerns of the community by
6 cultivating and encouraging high scholastic and ethical standards among college women; and

7 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority develops chapters throughout the world; the first
8 chapter established in the South Atlantic Region, Kappa Omega, was chartered on March 1,
9 1923, in Atlanta, Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, charter members included founder Marie Woolfolk Taylor, Floy Brown, Eva
11 Conner, Caroline Bond Day, Madeline Smith Davis, Adelaide D. Smith, Alice Rucker, Ruth
12 Prince, Louise Shivery, and Hattie Watson; and

13 WHEREAS, Kappa Omega has distinguished itself as a guiding torch in serving various
14 communities by implementing, for nine decades, national programs that impact world
15 communities, and the current 2013-2014 international program initiatives focus on global
16 leadership through timeless service; and

17 WHEREAS, in the early beginning of the sorority, Lucille Scott served on the Directorate
18 as the Ivy Leaf reporter, providing stellar service to the organization; and

19 WHEREAS, Kappa Omega members have distinguished themselves on the local, regional,
20 and international level, including those who have served as South Atlantic Regional
21 Directors, 1st A. Cathryn Johnson, 4th Sujette F. Crank, 10th Mary Shy Scott, and 13th Dr.
22 Lucretia R. Payton-Stewart; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Mary Shy Scott has served as the 23rd president of Alpha Kappa Alpha
24 Sorority for which special tribute is paid; and

25 WHEREAS, during March 2013, Kappa Omega will honor and pay tribute to their first
26 diamond soror, Verna Henderson, who through the years has rendered timeless service on
27 the local, regional, and international levels; and

28 WHEREAS, members in the chapter contribute thousands of volunteer hours implementing
29 service programs in their respective communities.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body recognize Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Kappa Omega Chapter,
32 during the month of March as a guiding torch for rendering timeless service to all mankind.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Alpha Kappa Alpha
35 Sorority, Kappa Omega Chapter.