

Senate Resolution 972

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 15, 2016, as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Day at the state
2 capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., has the distinction of being the first
4 sorority established by African American college women for African American college
5 women; and

6 WHEREAS, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., was founded at Howard University in
7 Washington, D.C., on January 15, 1908, and has expanded internationally to more than 986
8 chapters; and

9 WHEREAS, Georgia hosts approximately 49 of those chapters on college and university
10 campuses and has alumnae groups throughout the state; and

11 WHEREAS Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is committed to community service and
12 actively contributes to the educational, civic, and social life of Georgia's citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, alumnae chapters encourage their members to become community volunteers
14 as one of their primary service components, which also include educational enrichment,
15 health promotion, family strengthening, environmental ownership, and global impact; and

16 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Day at the state capitol is an international
17 program in which members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., meet with their legislators
18 to address issues that are pertinent to strengthening families and communities; and

19 WHEREAS, South Atlantic Region Director Sharon Brown-Harriott and Georgia Connection
20 Chairperson Karen Bennett, at the direction of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.,
21 International President Dorothy Buckhanan-Wilson and International Connection
22 Chairperson Sylvia Blackmon-Roberts, have convened this delegation for the purpose of

23 civic engagement, community involvement, and purposeful A.C.T.I.O.N. (Advocate,
24 Communicate, Train, Influence, Organize, and Network).

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 recognize February 15, 2016, as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Day at the state capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Alpha Kappa
29 Alpha Sorority, Inc.