

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 141

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, May 15, 2012, as AKA Day at the capitol and to commend the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, for their outstanding community service and to recognize Tuesday, May 15, 2012, as AKA Day at the capitol; and

WHEREAS, founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., in 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority has the distinction of being the first sorority established by African American college women; and

WHEREAS, throughout the past one hundred four years, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority has expanded internationally to more than eight hundred fifty chapters; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana hosts thirty-one of these chapters, which are located on college and university campuses and have active alumnae groups in communities throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is committed to community service and actively contributes to the educational, civic, and social life of Louisiana's citizens; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha chapters encourage their members to become involved and committed community volunteers in one of their primary service components, including education, health, the economy, the arts, and the family; and

WHEREAS, state representatives Katrina Jackson and Patricia Smith are proud AKA alumnae; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Paving the Way for Emerging Leaders", and the theme of the new AKA administration is "Global Leadership Through Timeless Service"; and

WHEREAS, AKA Day at the capitol is a national program through which members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority throughout the nation meet with their legislators to address issues that are pertinent to their communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Tuesday, May 15, 2012, as AKA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and does hereby commend and express enduring appreciation to the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, for the tremendous honor and pride that they bring to their family, friends, and communities, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the international president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE