

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity upon the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity upon the memorable and historic occasion of its fiftieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 1961, the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity was officially chartered at Louisiana State University; after a brief period of dormancy at LSU during its fifty-year history, it was officially re-chartered on May 2, 1992, and is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary in the spring of 2011; and

WHEREAS, the chapter is committed to the principles of virtue, diligence, and brotherly love and embraces the standard of "sound mind, sound body"; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the fraternity's national headquarters awarded the Louisiana Beta Chapter with its first Buchanan Cup, which is bestowed only upon the most outstanding chapters nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the chapter has been recognized nationally with several other achievement awards in a variety of categories and received the Louisiana Service Award from the lieutenant governor for its community service contributions; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment, the chapter has been involved with a number of philanthropic endeavors and charities, including the American Cancer Society, the Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Research Center, Boys Hope Girls Hope, and Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, members of the chapter are involved in various extracurricular student organizations and are active in student government; in the past seven years, five LSU student body presidents and vice presidents have been "SigEps"; and

WHEREAS, the chapter is committed to scholastic achievement, and for the past seven years, except for one semester, the chapter has been awarded the Chancellor's Cup for attaining the highest grade point average of all fraternities on campus; and

WHEREAS, the chapter has been recognized for its successful recruitment and retention of members, and currently, with more than one hundred sixty members, it has the greatest manpower of any fraternity at LSU; and

WHEREAS, the chapter has an active alumni population in Louisiana and beyond, and its alumni board hosts an annual fundraising golf tournament in the spring to raise money for the chapter's scholarship endowment fund; and

WHEREAS, as it celebrates its fiftieth anniversary, the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity merits a special measure of congratulations and commendation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity upon the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary and does hereby recognize and record for posterity the tremendous pride and honor it brings to Louisiana State University and to the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES