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SENATE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC., FOR ITS
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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is the oldest Greek-lettered organization for African-American women in the world; has a mission of providing "service to all mankind"; is made up of over two hundred thousand (200,000) college-educated women from around the world, with an active membership of over forty-nine thousand (49,000) women who represent a diverse group; and includes a membership of educators, heads of state, politicians, lawyers, medical professionals, media personalities, and decision-makers in major corporations; and

WHEREAS, well-known honorary members of Alpha Kappa Alpha include Marian Anderson, Maya Angelou, Ella Fitzgerald, Mae Jemison, Coretta Scott King, Judge Constance Baker Motley; and local and state-wide members include Judge Andree Layton Roaf, former Senator Irma Hunter Brown, former Representative Nancy Blount, former Representative Wilhelmina Lewellen, and Senator Linda Chesterfield; and

WHEREAS, there are nineteen (19) chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha throughout the State of Arkansas, consisting of seven (7) undergraduate chapters and twelve (12) graduate chapters; and each chapter prides itself on



its community efforts in the areas of education, the arts, economic development, and health care; and

WHEREAS, internationally Alpha Kappa Alpha responds to the contemporary needs of the black community with comprehensive non-traditional programs; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha's mission of "Service to All Mankind" began at its inception, and as a result the sorority has remained at the forefront of positive change in American life; and currently, the Alpha Kappa Alpha International President has set forth the 2010 - 2014 theme of "Global Leadership through Timeless Service" wherein the organization will address issues related to social justice, human rights, health, poverty, economic security, and environmental sustainability,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHT-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate recognizes Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., for its service work and for its contributions to its communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the national president of Alpha Kappa Alpha by the Secretary of the Senate.