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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., a private, not for profit organization that provides services to promote human welfare, was founded on January 13, 1913, at Howard University by twenty-two (22) undergraduate students who were all women; and

WHEREAS, currently there are over three hundred fifty thousand (350,000) initiated members and over one thousand (1,000) chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., in the United States, England, Japan, Germany, Virgin Islands, Bermuda, Bahamas, Canada, Jamaica, West Africa, Southern Africa, United Arab Emirates, and the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, in Arkansas, there are eleven (11) collegiate chapters and fifteen (15) alumnae chapters with over six hundred fifty (650) members who are committed to one (1) mission and one (1) sisterhood: Empowering Communities through Committed Service; and

WHEREAS, the first public act of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was its participation in the Women's Suffrage March in 1913 in Washington, D.C.; and



WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta has created programming to improve political, education, and social and economic conditions, particularly within Black communities; and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. collaborates with community organizations and corporations to further its programming goals; and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has established programming that enlarges the scope and reach of sorority activity including collaborating with Habitat for Humanity in building hundreds of houses for those in need, engaging in a nationwide effort to provide library services in the rural South through the National Library Project, and adopting the Adelaide Tambo School for the Physically Disabled in South Africa among so many accomplishments,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives acknowledge the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and its members for providing one hundred ten (110) years of outstanding service and leadership to their communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT February 21, 2023, be designated as Red and White Day in Arkansas in recognition of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.