

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90

BY SENATOR GRAY AND REPRESENTATIVE PETERSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for its achievements and community service and to designate June 4, 2008, as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority "Red and White" Day at the Legislature of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, on January 13, 1913, twenty-two illustrious black women founded Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., at Howard University; and

WHEREAS, those twenty-two women were aware that there was and would always be a need for black women to play an active role in the struggles concerning African Americans and the need for community involvement; and

WHEREAS, in the past ninety-five years, the vision of the founders has withstood all odds and the vision is still being strengthened each day; and

WHEREAS, today there are over two hundred thousand members in eight hundred fifty chapters in the United States, Haiti, Liberia, the Virgin Islands, the Caribbean, Germany, Korea, and West Africa; and

WHEREAS, the major programs of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority are based upon the organization's five-point thrust: educational development, economic development, physical and mental health, political awareness and involvement, and international awareness and involvement; and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's five-point thrust is evident in its many national programs including Delta Habitat for Humanity, Project Cherish, Project Smart, Delta Days at the Nation's Capital, Delta Immunization Campaign, Summit III: Preparing Our Sons for Manhood, School America, and Jabberwok; and

WHEREAS, the success of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's public service programs has depended upon the continuous interaction of each member, both locally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, for more than nine decades, this interaction has been a hallmark of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and the foundation of its success.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the women of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority for their achievements and hereby designates June 4, 2008, as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority "Red and White" Day at the Louisiana Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Delta women are individually commended for their commitment to community service and academic achievement and their quest for excellence in all endeavors in their lives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president, Grand Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and to the regional director for the Southwest Region, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES