
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 67 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY HAYWOOD, KITCHEN, GREENLEAF, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAK,
FONTANA, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, DINNIMAN, PILEGGI, SMITH, COSTA,
RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH AND FARNESE, APRIL 13, 2015

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 13, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 13, 2015, as "Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, is the
4 oldest Greek-lettered organization to have been established by
5 African-American college-educated women; and

6 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha was founded at Howard University
7 in Washington, DC, in 1908; and

8 WHEREAS, Founder Ethel Hedgeman Lyle envisioned the sorority
9 as an instrument for enriching campus life by promoting unity
10 and cultivating high academic and ethical standards; and

11 WHEREAS, Through the years, the sorority's function has
12 become more complex, branching out to engage members worldwide
13 in advocacy and service projects to improve socioeconomic,
14 racial, political and environmental conditions; and

15 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha's diverse, collaborative work
16 throughout the United States, the Caribbean, Europe and Africa
17 integrates a high level of personal engagement with the strong

1 bonds of sisterhood and a productive network of community
2 partners; and

3 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha undergraduate chapters in this
4 Commonwealth include Alpha Sigma, Delta Gamma, Delta Iota, Delta
5 Mu, Epsilon Nu, Gamma Epsilon, Iota, Kappa Beta, Kappa Zeta, Mu
6 Omicron, Pi Pi, Rho Rho, Sigma Lambda, Tau Alpha, Theta Iota and
7 Tao Xi; and

8 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha graduate chapters in this
9 Commonwealth include Alpha Alpha Omega, Epsilon Sigma Omega,
10 Iota Tau Omega, Mu Nu Omega, Omega Omega, Phi Beta Omega, Rho
11 Theta Omega and Tau Delta Omega; and

12 WHEREAS, In keeping with its participation in public policy
13 initiatives, Alpha Kappa Alpha conducts "Alpha Kappa Alpha Day
14 at the Capitol" events in many states; and

15 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha members are coming to the Capitol
16 Complex on April 13, 2015, to celebrate their distinguished
17 sisterhood and their ongoing work on behalf of local and global
18 initiatives; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate April 13, 2015, as "Alpha
20 Kappa Alpha Sorority Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
22 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Phi Beta Omega
23 Chapter, P.O. Box 1385, North Wales, PA 19454-0385, in
24 recognition of all Pennsylvania chapters.