

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 724 Session of
2010

INTRODUCED BY JOHNSON, ROEBUCK, BROWN, BEYER, BUXTON, CONKLIN,
D. COSTA, DIGIROLAMO, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, GRUCELA,
HENNESSEY, KOTIK, MILLARD, PASHINSKI, PAYTON, PHILLIPS,
READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROCK, SCAVELLO, SEIP, SIPTROTH, THOMAS,
VULAKOVICH AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 23, 2010

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL
23, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the charter of the Omicron
2 Delta Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity,
3 Incorporated.

4 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, the first
5 African-American Greek-lettered organization, was founded by
6 seven young men in 1906 on the campus of Cornell University
7 during a historical period when racial intolerance and
8 discrimination permeated the country; and

9 WHEREAS, The stated mission of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity,
10 Incorporated is to develop leaders and promote brotherhood and
11 academic excellence, while providing service and advocacy for
12 our communities; and

13 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated has a
14 membership that exceeds 175,000 initiates and has counted among
15 its members such distinguished individuals as: the Rev. Dr.
16 Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. William Edward Burghardt (W.E.B)

1 DuBois, the Honorable Thurgood Marshall, Mr. Duke Ellington and
2 Dr. Cornel West; and

3 WHEREAS, The Omicron Delta Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha
4 Fraternity, Incorporated was chartered on April 26, 1985, in
5 Philadelphia by Mr. Selvin L. Gordon, Mr. James B. Harris and
6 Mr. Howard Burch; and

7 WHEREAS, The members of the Omicron Delta Lambda chapter of
8 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated continue to hold the
9 concepts of brotherhood and fraternity foremost in their minds
10 and hearts while maintaining the fraternity's role as a positive
11 force in the Philadelphia community; and

12 WHEREAS, The Omicron Delta Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha
13 Fraternity, Incorporated participates in many worthwhile causes
14 such as Project Alpha; Go To High School, Go To College Program;
15 Big Brothers/Big Sisters; Boy Scouts of America; Selvin Gordon
16 Scholarship Fund; March of Dimes Walk; Martin Luther King Day of
17 Service; Back to School Supply Drive; Adopt-A-Family and A
18 Voteless People is a Hopeless People; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate the
20 Omicron Delta Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity,
21 Incorporated on the 25th anniversary of its charter.