
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY STREET, FONTANA, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN AND GREENLEAF,
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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring the members of the Delta Sigma Theta
2 Sorority, Incorporated, for more than a century of commitment
3 to social activism, academic excellence and civic engagement
4 in this Commonwealth on the occasion of Delta Day at the
5 State Capitol.

6 WHEREAS, The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
7 founded in 1913 by 22 diligent collegiate women on the campus of
8 Howard University, has blossomed into the largest African-
9 American women's organization in the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, For more than a century, the sorority has continued
11 to be guided by its founding principles of academic excellence,
12 economic and community development and social and political
13 action as well as educational and professional advancement
14 through service, leadership and empowerment; and

15 WHEREAS, Over the past 104 years, members of Delta Sigma
16 Theta have led countless initiatives addressing crucial
17 Statewide issues, including voter registration and education,
18 equal educational opportunities for all children, financial
19 literacy and economic empowerment, academic and financial

1 support for historically black colleges and universities and
2 access to quality and affordable health care; and

3 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta boasts 21 Statewide chapters
4 within this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Social Action Network, an umbrella
6 organization linking the sorority's 25 Social Action Committees
7 in this Commonwealth, continues to ensure that members are
8 tangibly executing their commitment to build working
9 relationships with elected officials and advancing critical
10 legislation; and

11 WHEREAS, The members' 2017 legislative priorities of
12 equitable education funding and equality in social justice
13 exhibit the organization's return to the basics of its advocacy;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The women of Delta Sigma Theta continue to be
16 magnificent examples of servant leaders with an uncompromising
17 commitment to their community, which serves as the driving force
18 to carry on the mission of Delta Day at the State Capitol;
19 therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize and honor the members of
21 the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, for more than a
22 century of commitment to social activism, academic excellence
23 and civic engagement in this Commonwealth on the occasion of
24 Delta Day at the State Capitol.