

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

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

6 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta was originally founded in 1913 by  
7 22 diligent collegiate women on the campus of Howard University  
8 in Washington, DC; and

9 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta has since blossomed as one of the  
10 preeminent service-based sororities, with more than 300,000  
11 predominantly African-American initiated members; and

12 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta boasts 31 collegiate and alumnae  
13 chapters within this Commonwealth, as well as more than 1,000  
14 chartered chapters located around the world; and

15 WHEREAS, For more than a century, the sorority has been  
16 guided by its mission, which includes the constructive  
17 development of its members and public service with a primary  
18 focus on the African-American community; and

19 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta realizes its mission by providing

1 an extensive array of public service initiatives through the  
2 sorority's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust, which includes  
3 educational development, economic development, international  
4 awareness and involvement, physical and mental health and  
5 political awareness and involvement; and

6 WHEREAS, Over the past 110 years, members of Delta Sigma  
7 Theta have led countless initiatives addressing a variety of  
8 crucial issues, including voting rights, affordable health care,  
9 financial literacy, economic empowerment, support for  
10 historically black colleges and universities, political  
11 awareness and involvement, gender equality and racial profiling;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta's 2017-2021 quadrennial theme,  
14 "joy in our sisterhood, power in our voice and service in our  
15 heart," is a reflection of the sorority's values and principles;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Each year since 1989, Delta Sigma Theta members have  
18 participated in various "Delta Days" at the nation's capitol,  
19 the United Nations, state capitols, town halls and school boards  
20 throughout the country in order to increase their involvement in  
21 the policymaking process; and

22 WHEREAS, May 2, 2023, marks Delta Sigma Theta's annual "Delta  
23 Day" at the State Capitol in Harrisburg where members from  
24 across this Commonwealth come to connect with their legislators,  
25 advance legislation and serve as a voice for others; and

26 WHEREAS, The women of Delta Sigma Theta continue to be  
27 magnificent examples of servant leaders with an uncompromising  
28 commitment to their communities, which serves as the driving  
29 force to carry on the mission of "Delta Day" at the State  
30 Capitol; therefore be it

1       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and  
2 honor the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for more  
3 than a century of commitment to social activism, academic  
4 excellence and civic engagement in this Commonwealth on the  
5 occasion of "Delta Day" at the State Capitol.