

## House Resolution 1363

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110<sup>th</sup> and Howard of the 129<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 11, 2024, as Blue and White Day at the state capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., was founded on January 9, 1914, on the campus  
4 of Howard University in Washington, D.C., by three collegiate men, the Honorable A.  
5 Langston Taylor, the Honorable Leonard F. Morse, and the Honorable Charles I. Brown; and

6 WHEREAS, 110 years later, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., is an international organization  
7 composed of close to 600 active chapters of college educated men whose members are  
8 successful in all aspects of society; and

9 WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., was founded on January 16, 1920, on the campus  
10 of Howard University in Washington, D.C., by five collegiate women. These Pearls were  
11 Arizona Cleaver Stemons, Pearl Anna Neal, Myrtle Tyler Faithful, Viola Tyler Goings, and  
12 Fannie Pettie Watts; and

13 WHEREAS, 104 years later, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., is an international organization of  
14 over 800 active chapters of college educated women whose members are leaders serving in  
15 all segments of society; and

16 WHEREAS, together Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., are  
17 the only constitutionally bonded Brother and Sister organization among the Historically  
18 Black Greek Lettered Organizations also known as the National Pan-Hellenic Council; and

19 WHEREAS, these organizations exemplify the ideals of scholarship and service and whose  
20 members view themselves as a part of the community; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of these  
22 remarkable and distinguished organizations be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize March 11, 2024, as Blue and White Day at the state  
25 capitol; commend the members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta  
26 Sorority, Inc., for their service; and extend the most sincere best wishes for their future  
27 endeavors.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Phi  
30 Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.