

House Resolution 488

By: Representative Jones of the 53<sup>rd</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1976  
2 Fall Line at Clark College on the occasion of its 45th anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 1976 Fall Line will  
4 celebrate its 45th anniversary on November 21, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, the pledge line name was the "Majestic 15"; and

6 WHEREAS, the vision of nine sensational ladies, the "Pearl Bearing" sisters, were inducted  
7 by Edna Morris into the chapter, which was chartered on May 6, 1931; and

8 WHEREAS, its members carry on the legacy of the Pearl Bearing sisters and of the 22  
9 collegiate women who founded Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., on January 13, 1913, at  
10 Howard University; and

11 WHEREAS, these young women wanted to use their collective strengths to promote  
12 academic excellence, provide scholarships, give support to the underserved, educate and

13 stimulate participation in the establishment of positive public policy, and highlight issues and  
14 provide solutions for problems in their communities; and

15 WHEREAS, since its founding, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has grown to include more  
16 than 200,000 members. The sorority currently has 1,000 collegiate and alumnae chapters  
17 located in the United States, Canada, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin  
18 Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, and the Republic of Korea; and

19 WHEREAS, the "Majestic 15" pledge line included the following individuals: Millie Cooper  
20 (Murphy) #1 - line name "Mighty Mouse"; E. Gail Anderson (Holness) #2 - line name  
21 "Braces"; Debra Scarlett #3 - line name "Weeping Willow"; Alicia Adams #4; Sheila Jones  
22 #5 - line name "Krispy Kreme"; Dayna Nokes (Minor) #6 - line name "Daffy Duck"; Kathy  
23 Moore (Hall) #7 - line name "Oh So Sick"; Gina Johnson (Harris) #8 - line name "Fearless  
24 Fly"; Janice Amos (Smallwood) #9 - line name "Elsie Cow"; Valerie Brown (James) #10 -  
25 line name "Crip"; Iris Thomas (Ross) #11 - line name "Big & Tough"; JoEllen McDaniel  
26 (Bostick) #12; Rose Green (Bass) #13; Calnela Hilliard (Barnes) #14 - line name "Olive Oil";  
27 and Thelma Demps (Rigby) #15 - line name "Dizzy Demps"; and

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize and commend the Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta  
30 Sorority, Inc., 1976 Fall Line at Clark College upon the grand occasion of its 45th  
31 anniversary and extend best wishes for many more years of successful service.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to each  
34 line member of the "Majestic 15" of the Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.