2020 First Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28

BY SENATOR JACKSON

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Katina M. Semien for her service as South Central Regional Director of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

1   A RESOLUTION

2   To commend Katina M. Semien for her excellent service as South Central Regional Director

3   of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

4   WHEREAS, Katina M. Semien, Esq. became the 25th Alpha Kappa Alpha woman

5   and the first from South Louisiana to serve as the South Central Regional Director of Alpha

6   Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. when she was elected for service during the 2016-2018 term; and

7   WHEREAS, after Ms. Semien received her Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctorate

8   from Southern University A&M College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, she put her training to

9   work as an attorney, motivational speaker, and community advocate; and

10   WHEREAS, she currently serves as the Executive Director of the Louisiana

11   Children's Trust Fund; and

12   WHEREAS, she has served as President, Vice President, and Graduate Advisor for

13   the Gamma Eta Omega chapter and as President of its nonprofit organization, The Ivy

14   Foundation, Inc.; and

15   WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA), in 1908, was created as a

16   support network for women with like minds coming together for mutual support, and

17   coalescing of their talents and strengths for the benefits of others while being recognized as

18   the first negro greek letter sorority; and

1   WHEREAS, AKA's force of more than 283,000 collegiate members and alumnae,

2   constituting 993 chapters in 42 states, and across the globe has become an indomitable force

3   for good in their communities, states, nations, and the world; and

4   WHEREAS, AKA has enriched minds and encouraged lifelong learning, provided

5   aid for the poor, the sick, and underserved, initiated social action to advance human and civil

6   rights, worked collaboratively with other groups to maximize outreach on progressive

7   endeavors, and continually produced leaders to continue its credo of service; and

8   WHEREAS, in 1924, AKA created chapters that were organized into regions formed

9   according to geography and population density; and

10 WHEREAS, the South Central Region, is the second largest region out of ten

11 regions, and composed of more than 10,000 service-orientated members with more than 120

12 undergraduate and graduate chapters located in the four-state region of Arkansas, Louisiana,

13 New Mexico, and Texas; and

14 WHEREAS, under Katina Semien, Madam Regional Director's leadership, the South

15 Central Region members have worked faithfully to prepare a legacy for the future by blazing

16 new trails and reaching new heights through the implementation of new programs that center

17 on significant issues in families, communities, government halls, and world assembly

18 chambers; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Semien believes that the key to building stronger communities

20 begins and ends with those who are willing to dedicate, not just their time, but also their

21 resources; to train, educate, protect, and prepare future leaders has been her leadership style;

22 and

23 WHEREAS, Katina M. Semien has received many accolades for her leadership and

24 the service performed by the South Central Region which continues to make a difference by,

25 *"Exemplifying Excellence through Sustainable Service"*.

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana

27 does hereby commend Katina M. Semien for her exemplary service as the South Central

28 Regional Director of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to

30 Katina Semien, Madam Regional Director.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Ann S. Brown.

DIGEST

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