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# H. RES. 31

Honoring Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, on reaching the historic milestone of 115 years of serving communities.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2023

Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Mrs. SYKES) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## RESOLUTION

Honoring Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, on reaching the historic milestone of 115 years of serving communities.

Whereas Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, was founded on January 15, 1908, at Howard University in Washington, DC, by Ethel Hedgemon, Anna Easter Brown, Beulah Elizabeth Burke, Lillie E. Burke, Marjorie Hill, Margaret Flagg, Lavinia Norman, Lucy Diggs Slowe, and Marie Woolfolk;

Whereas these 9 young women founded Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, on the 5 original core tenets: to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards; to promote unity and friendship among college women; to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and

women in order to improve their social stature; to maintain a progressive interest in college life; and to be of “Service to All Mankind”;

Whereas Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® , was successfully incorporated on January 29, 1913;

Whereas, since its founding in 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® , membership now includes over 1,000 chapters internationally, with more than 120,000 active members, and has initiated more than 325,000 members worldwide;

Whereas Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® , is dedicated to implementing programs of service that enhance the well-being of local, national, and international communities;

Whereas the theme of that service program for 2022–2026 is “Soaring to Greater Heights of Service & Sisterhood” and will involve 6 initiatives, namely—

- (1) Strengthen Our Sisterhood;
- (2) Empower Our Families;
- (3) Build Our Economic Wealth;
- (4) Enhance Our Environment;
- (5) Advocate for Social Justice; and
- (6) Uplift Our Local Community;

Whereas Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®’s present administration looks to use each of these initiatives to empower members to lead on the front lines of change, education, and advocacy; and

Whereas, among its many accomplished members, Vice President Kamala Harris, the first woman to occupy the Office of the Vice President of the United States, is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives con-  
2 gratulates and commends Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
3 Inc.®, on 115 years of service.

