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HOUSE MEMORIAL 50

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING FEBRUARY 10, 2017 "ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY DAY" IN
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, alpha kappa alpha sorority, incorporated, was
founded on January 15, 1908 at Howard university as the first
Negro Greek-letter sorority; and

WHEREAS, the mission of alpha kappa alpha sorority,
incorporated, is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and
ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among
college women, to study and alleviate problems concerning girls
and women to improve their social stature, to maintain a
progressive interest in college life and to be of "service to
all mankind"; and

WHEREAS, one hundred nine years later, alpha kappa alpha
sorority, incorporated, continues to provide supreme service by

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1 launching "new dimensions of service", the program theme of the
2 international president, Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson; and

3 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico maintains an award-
4 winning graduate chapter of alpha kappa alpha sorority,
5 incorporated, known as the iota xi omega chapter; and

6 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico maintains an
7 undergraduate chapter of alpha kappa alpha sorority,
8 incorporated, known as the tau phi chapter; and

9 WHEREAS, the iota xi omega and the tau phi chapters join
10 the south central regional director, Katina Semien, and other
11 chapters in the sensational south central region and across the
12 globe in launching new dimensions of advocacy and political
13 action; and

14 WHEREAS, this advocacy and political action will be
15 focused on the program's five target areas of educational
16 enrichment, health promotion, family strengthening,
17 environmental ownership and global impact; and

18 WHEREAS, alpha kappa alpha sorority, incorporated,
19 continues to be a voice, through voter education, mobilization
20 and registration efforts, to drive effective change at the
21 community level;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
23 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 10,
24 2017 be recognized as "Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day" in the
25 house of representatives; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the past, present and future
2 members of this illustrious sorority who uphold its standards,
3 who are committed to its mission and who dutifully serve its
4 community be honored; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the alpha kappa alpha sorority, incorporated,
7 the university of New Mexico's iota xi omega chapter and the
8 tau phi chapter.

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