

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93

BY REPRESENTATIVES JACKSON AND WALTERS

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana-based councils of the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) for their outstanding contributions to civic engagement, leadership, and community service and to honor Dr. Ralph "RJ" Johnson and Amonie M. Johnson for their national leadership roles within the NPHC.

WHEREAS, the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), founded on May 10, 1930, at Howard University in Washington, D.C., serves as the collaborative umbrella organization for nine historically African American international Greek-lettered fraternities and sororities, collectively known as the "Divine Nine"; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the NPHC is to foster cooperative action, promote academic excellence, and advocate for social justice and civic responsibility among its affiliate organizations and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to vibrant and impactful local NPHC councils, including Greater Baton Rouge Area NPHC, Greater Monroe Area NPHC, Greater New Orleans Area NPHC, Lafayette NPHC, Lake Charles NPHC, and Shreveport NPHC, each of which upholds the ideals of scholarship, service, leadership, and unity; and

WHEREAS, these Louisiana-based NPHC councils have made significant contributions through educational scholarships, voter engagement initiatives, community health campaigns, youth mentorship programs, and service projects that uplift and empower local communities; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana is further distinguished by the national leadership of two of its own citizens: Dr. Ralph "RJ" Johnson of Shreveport, who serves as the national first vice president of the NPHC Board of Directors, providing visionary leadership and

representing the interests of NPHC councils and members nationwide; and Amonie M. Johnson of New Orleans, who serves as the Area 4 Coordinator for the NPHC Board of Directors, offering exemplary guidance and support to councils across several states with unwavering commitment; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson and Ms. Johnson exemplify the core values of the NPHC through their dedication to leadership, service, education, and community advocacy; their national service is a credit to the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to honor the National Pan-Hellenic Council's Louisiana councils and leaders for their ongoing efforts to promote unity, leadership, and excellence in the communities they serve.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana-based councils of the National Pan-Hellenic Council for their contributions to civic engagement, leadership, and community service; does hereby honor Dr. Ralph "RJ" Johnson and Amonie M. Johnson for their distinguished service on the National Pan-Hellenic Council Board of Directors; and does hereby extend best wishes for their continued success and positive impact.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Dr. Ralph "RJ" Johnson, and Amonie M. Johnson.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES