

2021 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 92

BY SENATOR PETERSON

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Recognizes Thursday, April 29, 2021, as the thirty-seventh annual Red and White Day at the Louisiana Legislature.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Thursday, April 29, 2021, as the thirty-seventh annual Red and White Day at
3 the Louisiana Legislature.

4 WHEREAS, the celebration of Red and White Day at the Louisiana Legislature
5 began in 1985 and has grown from a Louisiana tradition to one observed by more than one
6 thousand sorority and fraternity chapters throughout the country; a celebration is held
7 annually at the nation's capital in Washington, D.C.; and

8 WHEREAS, Red and White Day is an activity of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
9 Incorporated, which was founded on January 13, 1913, by twenty-two collegiate women at
10 Howard University who were eager to use their collective strength to promote academic
11 excellence, to provide scholarship funding, to support those in need, to stimulate
12 participation in the establishment of positive public policy, to highlight issues affecting
13 minorities and women, and to find viable solutions to social problems; and

14 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority was incorporated in 1930 as a private,
15 nonprofit organization; and

16 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, is the largest
17 African-American Greek letter sorority with more than nine hundred chapters in the United
18 States, England, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, Haiti, the Bahamas, and the

1 Republic of Korea, represented by a membership of more than two hundred thousand
2 college-educated women; and

3 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, uses a five-point program
4 of economic development, educational development, international awareness and
5 involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement to assist
6 the global community; and

7 WHEREAS, represented in the ranks of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
8 are such notable women as former state senators Diana E. Bajoie and Cheryl Gray Evans,
9 former state representatives Renee Gill Pratt, Pinkie Carolyn Wilkerson, Rosalind Peychaud,
10 and Jalila Jefferson Bullock, and Senator Karen Carter Peterson, all of whom have left
11 indelible imprints on this state's history; and

12 WHEREAS, on this Red and White Day, the sorority honors and celebrates all of the
13 African-American female legislators serving the public and who make a major impact on
14 their respective communities and the state by championing important issues; and

15 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
16 on one hundred eight years of service and for its outstanding achievements in the
17 community, the state, and the world.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
19 does hereby recognize Thursday, April 29, 2021, as Red and White Day at the Louisiana
20 Legislature, does hereby commend the women of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
21 for their exceptional achievements and manifold contributions, and does hereby extend
22 enduring appreciation to the organization and its members for the tremendous honor and
23 pride that they bring to their local communities, the state, and the nation.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
25 Beverly E. Smith, National President and CEO, Grand Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta
26 Sorority, Incorporated, and to Michelle Brown, Regional Director for the Southwest Region
27 of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

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

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Commends Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on its thirty-seventh annual Red & White Day at the Louisiana Legislature on April 29, 2021.