

1 Baton Rouge Delta Chapter; Velma J. Steward, Baton Rouge Delta Alumnae Chapter; Ruth
2 Bailey Wesley, Baton Rouge Delta Alumnae Chapter; Ruth Crawford, Baton Rouge Sigma
3 Alumnae Chapter; Jean G. Dyer, Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae Chapter; Mildred Marcelle,
4 Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae Chapter; Corinne Maybuce, Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae
5 Chapter; Audrey Nabors Jackson, Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae Chapter; Y. Jean Whitley,
6 Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae Chapter; Theresa Alexander Earthly, Alexandria Alumnae
7 Chapter; Aromenta Evans, New Orleans Alumnae Chapter; Hazel Moore, New Orleans
8 Alumnae Chapter; Jessie Howard, Hammond Area Alumnae Chapter; Adele Minnard,
9 Lafayette Alumnae Chapter; Phyllis Mouton, Lafayette Alumnae Chapter; and Jessie Taylor,
10 Lafayette Alumnae Chapter; and

11 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, is the largest African
12 American Greek letter sorority with more than one thousand chapters in the United States,
13 Canada, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, West Africa,
14 Southern Africa, the United Arab Emirates, and the Republic of Korea represented by a
15 membership of more than three hundred fifty thousand college-educated women; and

16 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated uses a five-point program of
17 economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement,
18 physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement to assist the global
19 community; and

20 WHEREAS, represented in the ranks of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
21 are such notable women as former state senators Diana E. Bajoie, Cheryl Gray Evans,
22 Sharon Weston Broome, and Karen Carter Peterson, and former state representatives Renee
23 Gill Pratt, Pinkie Carolyn Wilkerson, Rosalind Psychaud, and Jalila Jefferson Bullock and
24 Representative C. Denise Marcelle, all of whom have left indelible imprints on this state's
25 history; and

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

1 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated,
2 on one hundred ten years of service and for its outstanding achievements in the community,
3 the state, and the world.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, May 10, 2023, as the
6 thirty-ninth annual Red and White Day at the Louisiana state capitol; does hereby commend
7 the women of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, for their exceptional achievements
8 and manifold contributions; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation to the
9 organization and its members for the tremendous honor and pride that they bring to their
10 local communities, the state, and the nation.

DIGEST

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