

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 324

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of its charter

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha  
3 Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of its charter.

4 WHEREAS, the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha's Interest Group held its first  
5 general meeting in May 1983 with the hopes of establishing a second chapter; the group  
6 undertook volunteer projects to gain visibility and drive the reactivation of members; and

7 WHEREAS, the initial group consisted of nineteen members: Vera W. Bailey,  
8 Carlene A. Barthé, Rebecca Bell, Donnye L. Brady, Manya P. Carter, Ann B. Coxen,  
9 Veronica Downs, Ramel L. Fields, Mechelle A. Millet, Claire Mortimer, Alida A. Perez,  
10 Lillian L. Rayford, Marvel M. Robertson, Renae L. Ruffin, Cynthia R. Simms, Kathleen  
11 McKinney-Thomas, Brenda Brock Williams, G. Yvonne Jenkins, and Jackie L. Gorman; and

12 WHEREAS, the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alphas continued to grow, and in the  
13 summer of 1984, thirty-three members met the obligations to form a new chapter; on  
14 June 16, 1984, the chartering of the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter was held in the Moot  
15 Court Room of the Loyola University Law School; and

16 WHEREAS, the chartering ceremony was presided over by South Central Regional  
17 Director Mamie McKnight of Dallas, Texas; she was assisted by 16th International President  
18 Julia B. Purnell of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and

19 WHEREAS, the thirty-three charter members of the Omicron Lambda Omega  
20 Chapter were Constance Abraham-Handy, Vera W. Bailey, Carlene A. Barthé, Rebecca Bell,

1 Donnye L. Brady, Manya P. Carter, Ann B. Coxen, Michelle Dejoie-Manning, Veronica  
2 Downs, Ramel L. Fields, Marcia Galatas, Karen Farris Gavins, Jackie L. Gorman, Kathleen  
3 Mary Hall, Sandra Harington, Patricia Hightower, Terez D. Jackson, G. Yvonne Jenkins,  
4 Edith Gee Jones, Gail Lewis, Valerie A. Logan, Sheila Mason, Kathleen McKinney-Thomas,  
5 Kim D. Miguel, Michelle A. Millet, Claire Mortimer, Alida A. Perez, Pamela Pollard, Lillian  
6 A. Rayford, Marvel M. Robertson, Renae L. Ruffin, Cynthia R. Simms, and Brenda Brock  
7 Williams; and

8 WHEREAS, over the past thirty-six years, the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter has  
9 sponsored numerous community programs that have received local, regional, and national  
10 recognition; its Leah B. Gordon Scholarship Award provides financial assistance to students  
11 at Dillard University, Xavier University of Louisiana, and Southern University at New  
12 Orleans; the chapter also established the Erin Peters Scholarship, which is awarded to  
13 undergraduate members of Alpha Kappa Alpha attending Tulane University; and

14 WHEREAS, the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter also hosts the annual Healthy,  
15 Wealthy, and Wise Health Fair, where members of the community can receive free medical  
16 services and screenings; the chapter has raised money to support women with breast cancer  
17 through the On the Heels of Hope Cancer Awareness Brunch and Fashion Show; and

18 WHEREAS, the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter is currently implementing  
19 programming under the sorority's international programming theme: "Soaring to Greater  
20 Heights of Service and Sisterhood"; this programming focuses on empowering families,  
21 building economic wealth, enhancing the environment, advocating for social justice, and  
22 uplifting the local community; and

23 WHEREAS, the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of Crescent City Alpha Kappa  
24 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and its members are most deserving of the highest recognition  
25 for their many achievements and support for the local community.

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
27 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the  
28 Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the fortieth  
29 anniversary of its charter and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the chapter and its  
30 members continue to prosper in all of their endeavors for many years to come.

DIGEST

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Commends the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of its charter.