

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARPENTER, HALL, AND JENKINS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, May 10, 2016, as Zeta Phi Beta Day at the state capitol and to commend the members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, for their outstanding community service and to recognize Tuesday, May 10, 2016, as Zeta Day at the state capitol; and

WHEREAS, founded at Howard University in Washington D.C., in 1920, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority has the distinction of being the first sorority cofounded by African American college men of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity desiring sisters representing Finer Womanhood, Scholarship, Service, and Sisterhood; and

WHEREAS, throughout the past ninety-three years, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority has expanded internationally to more than one thousand chapters in eight countries; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana hosts thirty of these chapters, which are located on college and university campuses and have active graduate groups in communities throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is action oriented and committed to community service and actively contributes to the educational, civic, and social life of Louisiana's citizens; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta chapters encourage their members to become informed, involved, and committed community volunteers in one of their service initiatives, including education, family, health, politics, the economy, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Bernette J. Johnson is a proud graduate member of Zeta Phi Beta; and

WHEREAS, the current program of Zeta Phi Beta is "Building on the Principles of Service While Blazing New Paths"; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Day at the state capitol is part of Zeta Phi Beta's political initiative across the country through which members network with legislators to address issues that are relevant to their communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Tuesday, May 10, 2016, as Zeta Phi Beta Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and does hereby commend and express enduring appreciation to the members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, for the tremendous service, honor, and pride that they bring to their families, friends, communities, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mary Breaux Wright, International President of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES