

By Senator Bullard

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Senate Resolution

A resolution acknowledging the invaluable contributions Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has made to the people of Florida, and recognizing April 13-15, 2008, as "The 14th Annual Delta Days at the Florida Capitol."

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a public service organization that was founded on January 13, 1913, by 22 outstanding women at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and

WHEREAS, nearly 6 weeks after its founding, the first public act of the sorority was its participation in the Women's Suffrage Movement demanding rights for women, particularly the right to vote, and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood of college-educated women committed to implementing the sorority's mission through its Five Point Program Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, Physical and Mental Health, Political Awareness, and International Awareness and Involvement, and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., recently celebrated 95 years of exemplary service and support to local communities, leading dialogue on public policy issues, supporting quality education, and producing new projects to stimulate current and future economic growth, and

WHEREAS, with more than 200,000 college-educated women and over 950 chapters worldwide - 47 chapters located in Florida and the Bahamas - members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority are clearly focused and visible as corporate and civic leaders, productive public officials, acclaimed academicians, and activists in their

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30 | own right, and

31 | WHEREAS, for the past 14 years, the sorority's Florida
32 | chapters have conducted "Delta Days at the Florida Capitol" to
33 | provide information to state legislators and government
34 | executives which is vital to developing public policy; to host a
35 | reception for state legislators and government executives; and to
36 | monitor the progress of pending legislation related to
37 | significant public policy issues, and

38 | WHEREAS, on April 13-15, 2008, the members of the 47
39 | chapters of the sorority that now serve Florida and the Bahamas
40 | will converge on Tallahassee to conduct The 14th Annual Delta
41 | Days at the Florida Capitol, with the theme "Remember the 22 -
42 | Social Action is What We Do!", and

43 | WHEREAS, Senators Larcenia J. Bullard and Arthenia Joyner,
44 | and Representatives Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Joyce Cusack,
45 | and Audrey Gibson are esteemed members of Delta Sigma Theta
46 | Sorority, Inc., NOW, THEREFORE,

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48 | Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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50 | That the Florida Senate commends Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
51 | Inc., for its contributions to the people of Florida, and
52 | recognizes April 13-15, 2008, as "The 14th Annual Delta Days at
53 | the Florida Capitol."