

By Senator Wilson

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
Inc.

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., was founded at  
Howard University in Washington, D.C., in 1908, and

WHEREAS, this Greek letter organization is the first  
sorority established by African American college women, and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is an  
international organization that has about 250,000 members in  
more than 900 chapters in the United States, the Bahamas,  
Bermuda, Great Britain, Germany, Korea, and the Virgin Islands,  
and

WHEREAS, many of these chapters are located in communities  
and on college and university campuses in Florida, and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is committed to  
community service and has made numerous contributions to the  
educational, civic, and social lives of Floridians, and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., continues its  
support of the international program, "ESP," the acronym for  
Extraordinary Service Programs, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Patty Ball Thomas, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
Inc., Florida Connection Chairman, has rendered outstanding  
service to the Florida political agenda by facilitating the  
annual AKA Day at the Capitol, and

WHEREAS, Ella Springs Jones is the Centennial South  
Atlantic Regional Director of this great sisterhood and leads  
members of the sorority in Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina,  
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30 WHEREAS, the largest chapter in Florida is Gamma Zeta  
31 Omega, located in Miami, and

32 WHEREAS, Senator Frederica S. Wilson, a past South Atlantic  
33 Regional Director, and former Senator Mandy Dawson are members  
34 of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and

35 WHEREAS, members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority in  
36 Florida contribute thousands of volunteer hours implementing  
37 service programs in their respective communities, NOW,  
38 THEREFORE,

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40 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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42 That the members of the Florida Senate recognize the  
43 commitment of members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., to  
44 community service and express special appreciation for their  
45 service in Florida.