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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution acknowledging the invaluable contributions
3 made to the people of Florida by Delta Sigma Theta
4 Sorority, Inc., and recognizing March 20-23, 2011, as "The
5 17th Annual Delta Days at the Florida Capitol."
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7 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a public
8 service organization founded on January 13, 1913, by 22
9 outstanding women at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and

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

14 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood
15 of college-educated women committed to implementing the
16 sorority's mission through its Five-Point Program Thrust:
17 economic development, educational development, physical and
18 mental health, political awareness and involvement, and
19 international awareness and involvement, and

20 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., recently
21 celebrated 98 years of exemplary service and support to local
22 communities, leading dialogue on public policy issues,
23 supporting quality education, producing new projects to
24 stimulate current and future economic growth, and improving the
25 holistic well-being of minority populations internationally, and

26 WHEREAS, with more than 200,000 college-educated women and
27 more than 950 chapters worldwide, 52 of which are located in
28 Florida and the Bahamas, members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

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29 are clearly focused and visible as corporate and civic leaders,
30 productive public officials, acclaimed academicians, and
31 activists in their own right, and

32 WHEREAS, for the past 16 years, the sorority's Florida
33 chapters have conducted "Delta Days at the Florida Capitol" to
34 provide information to state legislators and government
35 executives which is vital to developing public policy; to host a
36 reception for state legislators and government executives; and
37 to monitor the progress of pending legislation related to
38 significant public policy issues, and

39 WHEREAS, on March 20-23, 2011, under the leadership of Lois
40 Gilder, Interim Southern Regional Director, the members of the
41 52 chapters of the sorority that now serve Florida and the
42 Bahamas will converge on Tallahassee to conduct the 17th Annual
43 Delta Days at the Florida Capitol and to provide special
44 recognition at the Fifth Annual Honorable Carrie P. Meek Servant
45 Leadership Luncheon to the state's Delta Dears, who have blazed
46 trails in social advocacy and public service, and

47 WHEREAS, Senators Arthenia L. Joyner and Larcenia J.
48 Bullard and Representative Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed are esteemed
49 members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., NOW, THEREFORE,

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51 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
52 Florida:

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54 That the Florida House of Representatives commends Delta
55 Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for its contributions to the people

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