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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the Delta Sigma Theta 4 Sorority on Delta Day 2021; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was 6 founded by 22 illustrious college-educated young women on the 7 campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. in January 8 1913 and is celebrating its 108th anniversary; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Shortly after the founding of Delta Sigma Theta
 10 Sorority, the 22 young women participated in the Women's
 11 Suffrage March and demanded rights for women, including the
 12 right to vote, which transformed the role of women in the
 13 democratic process; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated is an 15 organization of college-educated women committed to the 16 constructive development of its members through public service 17 with a primary focus on the black community; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The sorority's programs are implemented through 19 its Five Point Programmatic Thrust, which includes economic 20 development, educational development, physical and mental 21 health, political awareness and involvement, and international

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- 1 awareness and involvement; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Members of the sorority are accomplished
- 3 corporate, civic, and public officials and acclaimed scholars;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta has a membership of more than
- 6 200,000 college-educated women in more than 1020 chapters
- 7 worldwide, of which 20 chapters are located in the State of
- 8 Illinois; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In 1989, the National Social Action Commission
- 10 instituted Delta Days in the Nation's Capital as an annual
- 11 legislative conference to increase member involvement in the
- 12 public policy-making process; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Delta Day at the Illinois State Capitol has
- occurred on an annual basis with members from across the State
- in attendance; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 17 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 18 we recognize the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority on Delta Day 2021
- 19 and its theme of "Fortitude"; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

- 1 presented to Delta Sigma Theta as a symbol of our respect and
- 2 esteem.