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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was founded by 22 illustrious college-educated young women on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. in January 1913 and is celebrating its 108th anniversary; and

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WHEREAS, Shortly after the founding of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the 22 young women participated in the Women's Suffrage March and demanded rights for women, including the right to vote, which transformed the role of women in the democratic process; and

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WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an organization of college-educated women committed to the constructive development of its members through public service with a primary focus on the Black community; and

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WHEREAS, The programs of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are implemented through its Five Point Programmatic Thrust, which includes Economic Development, Educational Development, Physical and Mental Health, Political Awareness and Involvement, and International Awareness and Involvement; and

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WHEREAS, Members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are accomplished corporate, civic, and public officials and

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1 acclaimed scholars; and

2 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has a membership
3 of more than 350,000 college-educated women in more than 1,020
4 chapters worldwide, of which 25 chapters are located in the
5 State of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1989, the National Social Action Commission
7 instituted Delta Days in the Nation's Capital as a biennial
8 legislative conference to increase member involvement in the
9 public policy-making process; and

10 WHEREAS, Delta Day at the Illinois State Capitol has
11 occurred on an annual basis with members from across the State
12 in attendance; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare March 10,
15 2021 as Delta Day 2021 in the State of Illinois in recognition
16 of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and the 2021 theme
17 of "Embracing and Elevating the Power In Our Voice"; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as a symbol of
21 our respect and esteem.