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Senate Resolution 1493

By: Senator Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
- 2 Inc., on its annual Tickled Pink Fundraiser to award college scholarships to high school
- 3 students from DeKalb County, Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, in September, 1994, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter of Alpha
- 5 Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., opened the Ivy AKAdemy at Rainbow Elementary School and,
- 6 in 2003, began conducting the Ivy Reading AKAdemy After-School Tutorial Program at
- 7 Panola Way Elementary School; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter established a major fundraising
- 9 event, the biennial Pink Ice Gala, for the purposes of awarding scholarships to college-bound
- 10 students and recognizing outstanding community leaders; and
- 11 WHEREAS, from 1996 to 2003, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter hosted an
- 12 annual China Banquet Luncheon to showcase the creative talents of local youth and adopted
- 13 the Children Emergency Shelter in May of 1996; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter adopted a portion of Stone
- 15 Mountain-Lithonia Road in DeKalb County in partnership with the DeKalb Clean and
- 16 Beautiful Program in 1998; and
- 17 WHEREAS, during the 1997-1998 school year, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate
- 18 chapter conducted the Partnership In Math and Science Initiative with Stephenson Middle
- 19 School students and Georgia Tech at Shadow Rock Elementary; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter further demonstrated its
- 21 commitment to education with its ON TRACK program, a tutoring and mentoring program
- 22 for students in grades three through six at Redan Elementary School; and

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23 WHEREAS, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter was awarded \$10,000.00 in

- 24 funding from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for car safety seat distribution and
- 25 highway safety education; and
- 26 WHEREAS, a community leader, the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter has
- 27 cosponsored the annual Creative Collaboration in the Southeast, featuring poetry readings,
- 28 with the DeKalb Council for the Arts and private donors and has been active in the awarding
- 29 of a Steps to a Healthier DeKalb Community Small Grant Program and the implementation
- 30 of the PATH: Positive Avenues to Total Health initiative; and
- 31 WHEREAS, throughout their 17 years of service, the members of the Stone
- 32 Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter have collaborated with other agencies and organizations
- 33 to make a positive difference in the lives of the residents of DeKalb County, and they
- 34 continue to be committed to the ideals of sisterhood, "To make Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
- 35 Incorporated supreme in service to all mankind."
- 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 37 commend the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
- 38 Inc., on its outstanding community service and numerous accomplishments.
- 39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 40 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Stone Mountain/Lithonia Graduate
- 41 chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.