House Resolution 2262

By: Representatives Dawkins-Haigler of the 93rd, Stephenson of the 92nd, Sinkfield of the 60th, and Jones of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and recognizing March 1, 2010, as Delta Day

2 at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a public service organization founded on
- 4 January 13, 1913, by 22 visionary women at Howard University in Washington, D.C.; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the founding sisters included Osceola Macarthy Adams, Marguerite Young
 6 Alexander, Winona Cargile Alexander, Ethel Cuff Black, Bertha Pitts Campbell, Zephyr
 7 Chisom Carter, Edna Brown Coleman, Jessie McGuire Dent, Frederica Chase Dodd, Myra
 8 Davis Hemmings, Olive Jones, Jimmie Bugg Middleton, Pauline Oberdorfer Minor, Vashti
 9 Turley Murphy, Naomi Sewell Richardson, Mamie Reddy Rose, Eliza P. Shippen, Florence
 10 Letcher Toms, Ethel Carr Watson, Wertie Blackwell Weaver, Madree Pen White, and Edith
 11 Motte Young; and
- 12 WHEREAS, only weeks after its founding, the sorority's first public act was participation in

13 the Women's Suffrage Movement demanding rights for women, particularly the right to vote;

- 14 and
- WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood of college-educated women
 committed to implementing the sorority's mission through its Five Point Program Thrust:
 Educational Development, Economic Development, Political Awareness and Involvement,
 and International Awareness and Involvement; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the sorority recently celebrated 97 years of exemplary service and support to
- 20 local communities, leading dialogue on public policy issues, supporting quality education,
- 21 producing new projects to stimulate current and future economic growth, and improving the
- 22 lives of the people in their communities.

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- $23 \quad \text{NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that}$
- 24 the members of this body commend the efforts of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for its
- 25 continued commitment to public service and for its work in making the State of Georgia a
- 26 better place to live and work and recognize March 1, 2010, as Delta Day at the state capitol.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
- 29 Inc.