

House Resolution 1762

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

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and recognizing February 27, 2012, as Delta
2 Day 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;
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15 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood of college-educated women
16 committed to implementing the sorority's mission through its Five Point Program Thrust:
17 Educational Development, Economic Development, Political Awareness and Involvement,
18 and International Awareness and Involvement; and

19 WHEREAS, the sorority recently celebrated 99 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.

23 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 Monday, February 27, 2012, as Delta Day at the
27 state capitol.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
30 Inc.