

House Resolution 1183

By: Representative Kendrick of the 93<sup>rd</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
2 Incorporated, and recognizing January 29, 2016, as Upsilon Alpha Omega Day at the state  
3 capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
5 Incorporated, was founded on January 29, 1994, to implement and support the international  
6 programs of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, as it pertains to the needs of  
7 Gwinnett County, Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, on January 29, 1994, the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter was chartered in  
9 Lawrenceville, Georgia, by 30 aspiring professional women: Joyce Averis, Beauty P.  
10 Baldwin, Edna Berry-Narcisse, Geri Baldwin-Gonzalez, Carol Anne Brown, Jean Cyprien,  
11 Patricia Daniel, Debra Davis, Theresa Dove-Waters, Donna Gatling, Karen Hatter, Kathleen  
12 Jones, Georgette Sherman, Linda Jones, Mary Matthews, Geri Marion McCord, Janice  
13 McGruder, Meryl McNeal, Debbie Payton, Linda Thomas-Mobley, Cynthia Redd, Beverly  
14 Robinson, Alberta Russell, Jacqueline Scott, Debbie Sledge, CaSandra Smith, Tenjurie  
15 Thomas, Terrince Thomas, Brenda Wallace, and Wendy Wilson; and

16 WHEREAS, Upsilon Alpha Omega is the first African American Greek-letter organization  
17 in Gwinnett County and has more than 300 members; and

18 WHEREAS, Upsilon Alpha Omega has been instrumental in promoting local programs that  
19 emphasize the continued mission of "service to mankind" in conjunction with the national  
20 initiatives of Educational Enrichment, Health Promotion, Family Strengthening,  
21 Environmental Ownership, and Global Impact; and

22 WHEREAS, Upsilon Alpha Omega has contributed over 10,000 community service hours  
23 and is committed to sustaining service hours as an investment to Gwinnett County; and

24 WHEREAS, Upsilon Alpha Omega has established several scholarships to foster higher  
25 educational attainment with contributions of over \$100,000 in college funding in the  
26 following scholarships: Beauty P. Baldwin Scholarship, Debutante Cotillion Scholarship,  
27 Theresa Dove-Waters Scholarship, and McGruder-Smith Undergraduate Scholarship; and

28 WHEREAS, Upsilon Alpha Omega supports historically black colleges and universities  
29 (HBCU) with over 30 HBCU graduates in the chapter and has raised over \$15,000 in support  
30 of Alpha Kappa Alpha's International Target to benefit various *Think HBCU* initiatives; and

31 WHEREAS, this year, Upsilon Alpha Omega will celebrate its 22nd year of community  
32 service and is committed to servicing the Gwinnett County community.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
34 the members of this body commend the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa  
35 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, for its service to the community and recognize January 29,  
36 2016, as Upsilon Alpha Omega Day at the state capitol.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
38 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
39 members of the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,  
40 Incorporated.