

House Resolution 473

By: Representatives Boddie of the 62nd, Jones of the 91st, and Prince of the 127th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and recognizing March 14, 2017, as Kappa
2 Alpha Psi Fraternity Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., was founded at Indiana University in
4 Bloomington, Indiana, on January 5, 1911, by ten African-American God-fearing, serious
5 minded, courageous young men, and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., is a proud and active
6 member of the Divine 9 Greek letter organizations; and

7 WHEREAS, under the theme "Training for Leadership," this fraternity promotes intellectual
8 and genuine concern for human development in all directions while holding fast to the
9 principle of achievement; and

10 WHEREAS, the Southeastern Province covering the states of South Carolina, Georgia and
11 South Africa was formed as 1 of 12 provinces of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., in 1951;
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13 WHEREAS, over 130,000 members of Kappa Alpha Psi are located on college campuses and
14 graduate chapters around the globe; and

15 WHEREAS, the undergraduate and graduate men of the Southeastern Province in the State
16 of Georgia have heeded the call to take a stand on promoting patriotism and civic
17 responsibility to voice concern and request public policies that better serve the
18 African-American youth in the United States and abroad, and to speak out on the
19 enforcement of discriminatory laws directly targeted toward African-American males, such
20 as stand your ground, stop and frisk, and the continual usage of deadly force; and

21 WHEREAS, Kappa Alpha Psi programs aim to reach the youth on the local level through
22 such initiatives as Kappa League, Guide Right, Kappa Kamp, and the Undergraduate
23 Leadership Institute.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body commend Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and recognize March
26 14, 2017, as Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Day at the state capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
29 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.